

Warm-Up:

Evaluate  $-2^4$  and  $(-2)^4$

What kind of answers do you get for each?

Are they the same or different?

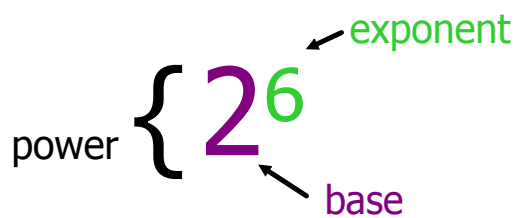
Why is this the case?

Objective:

SWBAT simplify monomials using the rules of exponentiation.

## Exponentiation

Exponent Review:



Use parentheses to **exponentiate** more than one symbol at a time:

$$(xy)^3 =$$

**Monomials:**

5  
36x<sup>2</sup>y  
14b

xy  
-9a,  
2wxyzabcd

**Not Monomials:**

8x - 1  
7y + 3z

2x<sup>2</sup> + 3x + 6  
x<sup>4</sup> - x<sup>3</sup> + x

**So, what's a monomial??**

"A **monomial** is a number, a variable, or a product of a number and one or more variables."

More Vocabulary:

- **Constants** are monomials that contain no variables (just the number)
- **Coefficients** are the numbers in front of the variable (how many x's and y's you have)
- A **power** is an expression of the form  $x^n$  (the exponent)

base →  $x^n$  ← exponent

# Rules of Exponentiation

## Product of powers:

$$x^5 \cdot x^3 = \quad xxxxx \cdot xxx =$$

*Is there a short cut?*

When **multiplying** two powers with the same base, **add** the exponents.

## Quotient of powers:

$$\frac{x^5}{x^3} = \quad \frac{xxxxx}{xxx} =$$

*Is there a short cut?*

When **dividing** two powers with the same base, **subtract** the exponents.

## Power of a power:

$$(x^5)^3 = \quad (xxxxx)(xxxxx)(xxxxx)$$

*Is there a short cut?*

When **exponentiating** a power, **multiply** the exponents.

Powers of Products and Quotients:

$$(2x^5y)^3 =$$

$$\left(\frac{6x^5y}{9xz^4}\right)^2$$

When exponentiating a product or quotient, distribute the outside exponent to each factor inside the parentheses.

**Be careful with coefficients!**

Simplify:

$$\frac{x^3}{x^5}$$



Negative Exponents:  $x^{-n} = \frac{1}{x^n}$

Ex 1)  $4^{-3}$

Ex 2)  $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-2}$

Ex 3)  $\frac{5}{y^{-6}}$

Zero Exponent: Anything raised to the zero power equals ...

Why?  $\frac{b^{35}}{b^{35}}$



## Multiplying Monomial Expressions with Like Bases

Expression	Work	Answer
$x^3 \cdot x^2$	$(x \cdot x \cdot x) \cdot (x \cdot x) = x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x$	$x^5$
$5^4 \cdot 5^2$	$(5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5) \cdot (5 \cdot 5) = 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5$	$5^6$
$(y)(y^2)$	$(y) \cdot (y \cdot y) = y \cdot y \cdot y$	$y^3$
$-2x^2 \cdot 3x$	$-2 \cdot x \cdot x \cdot 3 \cdot x = -2 \cdot 3 \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x$	$-6x^3$
$(7x^2yz^3)(-2xy^2z^3)$	$(7 \cdot x \cdot x \cdot y \cdot z \cdot z \cdot z) (-2 \cdot x \cdot y \cdot y \cdot z \cdot z \cdot z)$	$-14x^3y^3z^6$

Is there a shortcut...?

Expression	Process	Answer
$x^3 \cdot x^2$	$x^{3+2}$	$x^5$
$5^4 \cdot 5^2$	$5^{4+2}$	$5^6$
$(y)(y^2)$	$y^{1+2}$	$y^3$
$-2x^2 \cdot 3x$	$-2 \cdot 3 \cdot x^{2+1}$	$-6x^3$
$(7x^2yz^3)(-2xy^2z^3)$	$7 \cdot -2 \cdot x^{1+2} \cdot y^{1+2} \cdot z^{3+3}$	$-14x^3y^3z^6$

## Dividing Expressions with Like Bases

$\frac{3^5}{3^2}$	$\frac{3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3}{3 \cdot 3} = 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 = 3^3$
$\frac{x^6}{x^4}$	$\frac{x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x}{x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x} = x \cdot x = x^2$
$\frac{9x^6}{3x^2}$	$\frac{3 \cdot 3 \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x}{3 \cdot x \cdot x} = 3x^4$

Is there a shortcut...?

## Using the Division Property of Exponents

$$\frac{3^5}{3^2} = 3^{5-2} = 3^3$$

$$\frac{x^6}{x^4} = x^{6-4} = x^2$$

$$\frac{9x^6}{3x^2} = \frac{9}{3}x^{6-2} = 3x^4$$

## Power Property of Exponents (power to a power)

Problem	Work	Answer
$(x^3)^2$	$(x \cdot x \cdot x)(x \cdot x \cdot x)$	$x^6$
$(5^2)^4$	$(5 \cdot 5)(5 \cdot 5)(5 \cdot 5)(5 \cdot 5)$	$5^8$
$\left(\frac{x^2}{y^4}\right)^3$	$\left(\frac{x^2}{y^4}\right)\left(\frac{x^2}{y^4}\right)\left(\frac{x^2}{y^4}\right)$ $= \left(\frac{x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x}{y \cdot y \cdot y \cdot y \cdot y \cdot y \cdot y \cdot y \cdot y \cdot y \cdot y \cdot y}\right)$	$\frac{x^6}{y^{12}}$
$(3x^2)^4$	$(3x^2)(3x^2)(3x^2)(3x^2) =$ $(3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3)(x^2 \cdot x^2 \cdot x^2 \cdot x^2) =$ $3^4 \cdot (x^2)^4$	$81x^8$  Is there a shortcut...?

Examples using the shortcut...

$$\left(2f^4g^3h\right)^5$$

$$\left(\frac{2}{3r^2s^3z^5}\right)^2$$