

## 5.2 Practice A

In Exercises 1–6, use the properties of rational exponents to simplify the expression.

1.  $(7^2)^{1/4} = 7^{1/2}$

2.  $(14^3)^{1/2} = 14^{3/2}$  or  $14\sqrt{14}$  3.  $\frac{5^{1/5}}{5} = \frac{1}{5^{4/5}}$  *Simplified.* ✓

4.  $\frac{10}{10^{1/4}} = 10^{3/4}$

5.  $\left(\frac{6^5}{9^5}\right)^{-1/5} = \frac{6^{-1}}{9^{-1}} = \frac{9}{6} = \frac{3}{2}$  6.  $(7^{-3/4} \cdot 7^{1/4})^{-1} = (7^{-1/2})^{-1} = 7^{1/2}$

In Exercises 7–12, use the properties of radicals to simplify the expression.

7.  $\sqrt{3} \cdot \sqrt{75} = \sqrt{3 \cdot 75} = \sqrt{225} = 15$

8.  $\sqrt[3]{81} \cdot \sqrt[3]{9} = \sqrt[3]{729} = 9$  9.  $\sqrt[4]{12} \cdot \sqrt[4]{8} = \sqrt[4]{96} = \sqrt[4]{16 \cdot 6} = 2\sqrt[4]{6}$

10.  $\sqrt[4]{9} \cdot \sqrt[4]{9} = \sqrt[4]{81} = 3$

11.  $\frac{\sqrt[5]{128}}{\sqrt[5]{4}} = \sqrt[5]{32} = 2$  12.  $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{80}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{16}} = \frac{1}{4}$

In Exercises 13–18, write the expression in simplest form.

13.  $\sqrt[4]{208} = \sqrt[4]{16 \cdot 13} = 2\sqrt[4]{13}$

14.  $\frac{\sqrt[3]{9}}{\sqrt[3]{4}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt[3]{16}}{\sqrt[3]{16}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{144}}{4} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{8 \cdot 18}}{4} = \frac{2\sqrt[3]{18}}{4} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{18}}{2}$  15.  $\sqrt{\frac{5}{27}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{\sqrt{15}}{9}$

16.  $\frac{1}{2 + \sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{2 - \sqrt{3}} = \frac{2 - \sqrt{3}}{4 - 3} = 2 - \sqrt{3}$

17.  $\frac{6}{4 - \sqrt{5}} \cdot \frac{4 + \sqrt{5}}{4 + \sqrt{5}} = \frac{6(4 + \sqrt{5})}{16 - 5} = \frac{24 + 6\sqrt{5}}{11} = \frac{24 + 6\sqrt{5}}{11}$  18.  $\frac{8}{(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{5})(\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{5})} = \frac{8\sqrt{2} - 8\sqrt{5}}{-3} = \frac{-8\sqrt{2} + 8\sqrt{5}}{3}$

In Exercises 19–24, simplify the expression.

19.  $8^4\sqrt{2} + 5^4\sqrt{2} = 13^4\sqrt{2}$

20.  $7^5\sqrt{13} - 17^5\sqrt{13} = -10^5\sqrt{13}$

21.  $4(9^{1/4}) + 7(9^{1/4}) = 11 \cdot 9^{1/4}$

22.  $4\sqrt{18} - 15\sqrt{2} = 4\sqrt{9 \cdot 2} - 15\sqrt{2} = 12\sqrt{2} - 15\sqrt{2} = -3\sqrt{2}$

23.  $8\sqrt{7} + 12\sqrt{63} = 8\sqrt{7} + 36\sqrt{7} = 44\sqrt{7}$

24.  $\sqrt[4]{405} + 2\sqrt[4]{5} = \sqrt[4]{81 \cdot 5} + 2\sqrt[4]{5} = 3\sqrt[4]{5} + 2\sqrt[4]{5} = 5\sqrt[4]{5}$

25. The volume of a cube is 80 cubic centimeters.

a. Use exponents to solve the formula for the volume  $V$  of a cube with side length  $s$ ,  $V = s^3$ , for  $s$ .

$$s = \sqrt[3]{V} \text{ or } V^{1/3}$$

b. Substitute the expression for  $s$  from part (a) into the formula for the surface area of a cube,  $S = 6s^2$ .

$$S = 6(\sqrt[3]{V})^2 \text{ or } 6V^{2/3}$$

c. Substitute the volume of the given cube into the formula found in part (b) to find the surface area,  $S$ . Simplify, if possible.

$$S = 6(\sqrt[3]{80})^2 \text{ or } 6(80)^{2/3}$$

$$6(\sqrt[3]{8 \cdot 10})^2 = 24(\sqrt[3]{100})$$

$$6(10 \cdot 2^3)^{2/3} = 24(10^{2/3})$$

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## Practice B

$$\frac{2^4}{8} = \frac{16}{8} = 2$$

In Exercises 1–6, use the properties of rational exponents to simplify the expression.

1.  $\frac{2^{2/5}}{2} = 2^{-\frac{3}{5}}$  or  $\frac{1}{2^{3/5}}$  *simplified*
2.  $\left(\frac{3^6}{12^6}\right)^{-1/6} = \frac{3^{-1}}{12^{-1}} = 4$
3.  $(11^{3/2} \cdot 11^{-5/2})^{-1/3} = (11^{-1})^{-1/3} = 11^{1/3}$
4.  $(9^{-3/5} \cdot 9^{1/5})^{-1} = 9^{2/5}$
5.  $\frac{3^{3/4} \cdot 27^{3/4}}{9^{3/4}} = \frac{3^{\frac{3}{4} + 9 \cdot \frac{3}{4}}}{3^{\frac{3}{4} \cdot 2}} = \frac{3^{\frac{3}{4} + \frac{27}{4}}}{3^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{3^{\frac{30}{4}}}{3^{\frac{3}{2}}} = 3^{\frac{30}{4} - \frac{3}{2}} = 3^{\frac{30}{4} - \frac{6}{4}} = 3^{\frac{24}{4}} = 3^6$
6.  $\frac{25^{5/9} \cdot 25^{7/9}}{5^{4/3}} = \frac{5^{\frac{10}{9} \cdot 5} \cdot 5^{\frac{14}{9} \cdot 5}}{5^{\frac{4}{3} \cdot 5}} = \frac{5^{\frac{50}{9} + \frac{70}{9}}}{5^{\frac{20}{3}}} = \frac{5^{\frac{120}{9}}}{5^{\frac{20}{3}}} = \frac{5^{\frac{40}{3}}}{5^{\frac{20}{3}}} = 5^{\frac{20}{3}}$

In Exercises 7–12, use the properties of radicals to simplify the expression.

7.  $\sqrt[3]{25} \cdot \sqrt[3]{625} = \sqrt[3]{25 \cdot 625} = \sqrt[3]{15625} = 25$
8.  $\sqrt[5]{6} \cdot \sqrt[5]{81} = \sqrt[5]{6 \cdot 81} = \sqrt[5]{486} = 3\sqrt[5]{2}$
9.  $\frac{\sqrt[4]{176}}{\sqrt[4]{11}} = \sqrt[4]{\frac{176}{11}} = \sqrt[4]{16} = 2$
10.  $\frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{700}} = \frac{\sqrt{7}}{\sqrt{7 \cdot 100}} = \frac{1}{10}$
11.  $\frac{\sqrt[3]{5} \cdot \sqrt[3]{50}}{\sqrt[3]{2}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{5 \cdot 50}}{\sqrt[3]{2}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{250}}{\sqrt[3]{2}} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{250}{2}} = \sqrt[3]{125} = 5$
12.  $\frac{\sqrt[4]{4} \cdot \sqrt[4]{12}}{\sqrt[8]{3} \cdot \sqrt[8]{3}} = \frac{\sqrt[4]{4 \cdot 12}}{\sqrt[8]{9}} = \frac{\sqrt[4]{48}}{\sqrt[8]{9}} = \frac{2\sqrt[4]{3}}{\sqrt[8]{9}} = \frac{2\sqrt[4]{3}}{\sqrt[4]{3}} = 2$

In Exercises 13–18, write the expression in simplest form.

13.  $\frac{\sqrt[3]{4} \cdot \sqrt[3]{3}}{\sqrt[3]{9} \cdot \sqrt[3]{3}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{12}}{\sqrt[3]{27}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{12}}{3}$
14.  $\sqrt[3]{\frac{4}{25} \cdot \frac{3}{5}} = \sqrt[3]{\frac{12}{125}} = \frac{\sqrt[3]{12}}{5}$
15.  $\sqrt[4]{\frac{2401}{4}} = \frac{\sqrt[4]{2401}}{\sqrt[4]{4}} = \frac{7}{2}$
16.  $\frac{7}{(5-\sqrt{3})(5+\sqrt{3})} \cdot \frac{(5+\sqrt{3})}{(5+\sqrt{3})} = \frac{7(5+\sqrt{3})}{22}$
17.  $\frac{6(\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{7})}{(\sqrt{2}+\sqrt{7})(\sqrt{2}-\sqrt{7})} = \frac{6\sqrt{2}-6\sqrt{7}}{-5} = \frac{-6\sqrt{2}+6\sqrt{7}}{5}$
18.  $\frac{\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{15}+\sqrt{3})}{(\sqrt{15}-\sqrt{3})(\sqrt{15}+\sqrt{3})} = \frac{\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{15}+\sqrt{3})}{-6} = \frac{-\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{15}+\sqrt{3})}{6}$

In Exercises 19–24, simplify the expression.

19.  $10(25^{2/3}) - 6(25^{2/3}) = 4(25^{2/3})$
20.  $2\sqrt{54} - 11\sqrt{6} = 6\sqrt{6} - 11\sqrt{6} = -5\sqrt{6}$
21.  $13\sqrt[3]{3} - \sqrt[3]{375} = 13\sqrt[3]{3} - 5\sqrt[3]{3} = 8\sqrt[3]{3}$
22.  $\sqrt[5]{486} + 10\sqrt[5]{2} = 3\sqrt[5]{2} + 10\sqrt[5]{2} = 13\sqrt[5]{2}$
23.  $4(48^{1/4}) - 3(3^{1/4}) = 5(3^{1/4})$
24.  $(7^{1/3}) + 4(189^{1/3}) = 7^{1/3} + 4(7 \cdot 27)^{1/3} = 7^{1/3} + 4(3^3 \cdot 7)^{1/3} = 7^{1/3} + 4(3 \cdot 7)^{1/3} = 7^{1/3} + 12(7^{1/3}) = 13(7^{1/3})$

25. The volume of a right circular cylinder is  $V = 9\pi r^2$ , where  $r$  is the radius.

- Use radicals to solve  $V = 9\pi r^2$  for  $r$ . Simplify, if possible.
- Substitute the expression for  $r$  from part (a) into the formula for the surface area of a right cylinder,  $S = 18\pi r + \pi r^2$ .
- Use the answer to part (b) to find the surface area of a right cylinder when the volume is 108 cubic meters.

(23)  $4(3 \cdot 16)^{1/4} - 3(3^{1/4})$   
 $4(3^{\frac{1}{4}} \cdot 2^{4 \cdot \frac{1}{4}}) - 3(3^{\frac{1}{4}})$   
 $8(3^{\frac{1}{4}}) - 3(3^{\frac{1}{4}})$   
 $5(3^{\frac{1}{4}})$

a)  $\frac{V}{9\pi} = r^2$   
 $\sqrt{\frac{V}{9\pi}} = r$   
 $\frac{1}{3} \sqrt{\frac{V}{\pi}} = r$

b)  $S = 18\pi \cdot \frac{1}{3} \sqrt{\frac{V}{\pi}} + \pi \left(\frac{1}{9} \frac{V}{\pi}\right)$   
 $S = 6\sqrt{V\pi} + \pi \left(\frac{V}{9\pi}\right)$   
 $S = 6\sqrt{V\pi} + \frac{V}{9}$

c)  $S = 6\sqrt{108\pi} + \frac{108}{9}$   
 $= (12 + 36\sqrt{3\pi})$  sq meters