

Lesson 51 Objective: SWBAT rewrite fractional exponents and radicals.

Kickoff- Simplify each of the following.

1) $\left(\frac{1}{a^{\frac{1}{3}}b^{\frac{2}{3}}}\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \cdot a^{-\frac{1}{3}}b^{-\frac{5}{3}}$
 $a^{\frac{1}{12}}b^{\frac{2}{12}} \cdot a^{-\frac{4}{12}}b^{-\frac{20}{12}}$
 $a^{\frac{1}{12}-\frac{4}{12}}b^{\frac{2}{12}-\frac{20}{12}}$
 $a^{-\frac{3}{12}}b^{-\frac{18}{12}}$
 $\frac{1}{a^{\frac{1}{4}}b^{\frac{3}{2}}}$

2) $\left(\frac{m^{-4}n^{-3}}{2m \cdot 2m^2n^3}\right)^3$
 $\frac{m^{-12}n^{-9}}{2^3 m^3 \cdot 2^3 m^6 n^9}$
 $\frac{m^{-12}n^{-9}}{64m^9n^9}$
 $\frac{m^{-21}n^{-18}}{64}$

Fractional Exponents

Try This: Simplify:

1) $\sqrt[3]{9} = 3$

2) $9^{\frac{1}{2}} = 3$

3) $\sqrt[3]{64} = 8$

4) $4^{\frac{3}{2}} = 8$

Fractional Exponents:

base $\frac{\text{Power}}{\text{root}} = \sqrt{\text{base}^{\text{Power}}}$

Examples: $\sqrt[3]{9^1} \rightarrow 9^{\frac{1}{3}}$

Rewrite using radicals, express in simplest form.

1) $25^{\frac{1}{2}} = \sqrt{25} = 5$

2) $16^{\frac{2}{3}} = \sqrt[3]{16^2} = \sqrt[3]{256}$

3) $32^{\frac{2}{5}} = \sqrt[5]{32^2} = \sqrt[5]{1024}$

4) $(-8)^{\frac{2}{3}} = \sqrt[3]{(-8)^2} = \sqrt[3]{64} = 4$

5) $ab^{\frac{1}{3}} = \sqrt[3]{ab^2}$

6) $2x^{\frac{2}{5}} = \sqrt[5]{2x^2}$

7) $(2x)^{\frac{2}{5}} = \sqrt[5]{(2x)^2}$

8) $(a-bc)^{-\frac{2}{5}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[5]{(a-bc)^2}}$

Rewrite using positive exponents, express in simplest form.

9) $\sqrt[3]{6^3} = 6$

10) $\sqrt[3]{5^3} = 5$

11) $\sqrt{3a} = (3a)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

12) $\sqrt[3]{(a^2-9)^2} = (a^2-9)^{\frac{2}{3}}$

13) $2\sqrt[3]{b^3} = 2b$

14) $x^2\sqrt[3]{y^4} = x^2y^{\frac{4}{3}}$

15) $\sqrt{64a^4b^6} = 8a^2b^3$

16) $\frac{7xy}{\sqrt[4]{x^3y^3}} = \frac{7xy}{(x^3y^3)^{\frac{1}{4}}} = \frac{7xy}{x^{\frac{3}{4}}y^{\frac{3}{4}}} = 7x^{\frac{1}{4}}y^{\frac{1}{4}} = \frac{7y^{\frac{1}{4}}}{x^{\frac{1}{4}}}$