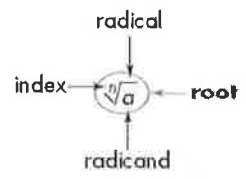


Accelerated Geometry  
End of Year Algebra Review #4

**Root:** The  $n$ th root of a given number is a specific number that when it is used as a factor  $n$  times, equals the given number.



**Radicand:** the expression under the radical sign.

**Index:** the degree of the root.

**Finding Roots**

- Look at the index to see how many factors you need.
- Use factor trees, if needed, to help you determine factors.

Recall:  $\sqrt{x} = x^{\frac{1}{2}}$        $\sqrt[3]{x} = x^{\frac{1}{3}}$        $\sqrt[4]{x} = x^{\frac{1}{4}}$        $\sqrt[5]{x} = x^{\frac{1}{5}}$

Consequently, we can say  $\sqrt[n]{x} = x^{\frac{1}{n}}$ . Moreover, we can say  $\sqrt[n]{x^m} = x^{\frac{m}{n}}$  and  $(\sqrt[n]{x})^m = x^{\frac{m}{n}}$

**Simplify.**

1.  $\sqrt[5]{243} = 3$   
 (Handwritten factor tree for 243: 243 is divided by 3 to get 81, which is divided by 3 to get 27, which is divided by 3 to get 9, which is divided by 3 to get 3.)

2.  $\sqrt[3]{-8x^{21}y^2} = -2x^7\sqrt[3]{y^2}$

3.  $\sqrt[4]{625} = 5$   
 (Handwritten factor tree for 625: 625 is divided by 5 to get 125, which is divided by 5 to get 25, which is divided by 5 to get 5.)

4.  $\sqrt{\frac{121}{289}} = \frac{11}{17}$

5.  $\pm\sqrt[6]{1} = \pm 1$

6.  $\sqrt[3]{(x-9)^3} = |x-9|$

7.  $81^{-0.75}$  *convert to fraction!*  
 $81^{-\frac{3}{4}} = \frac{1}{81^{\frac{3}{4}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{81^3}} = \frac{1}{3^3} = \frac{1}{27}$

8.  $(243)^{\frac{2}{5}} = \sqrt[5]{243^2} = 3^2 = 9$

9.  $-64^{\frac{2}{3}} = \sqrt[3]{-64^2} = (-4)^2 = 16$

**Write in exponential form.**

10.  $\sqrt{x^3} = x^{\frac{3}{2}}$

11.  $\sqrt[3]{2y^2} = 2^{\frac{1}{3}}y^{\frac{2}{3}}$

12.  $(\sqrt[4]{b})^3 = b^{\frac{3}{4}}$

13.  $\sqrt{-6} = (-6)^{\frac{1}{2}}$

14.  $\sqrt[4]{(5ab)^3} = (5ab)^{\frac{3}{4}}$

15.  $\sqrt[5]{\frac{3x^2}{z^{10}}} = \frac{3^{\frac{1}{5}}x^{\frac{2}{5}}}{z^2}$

## Properties of Radicals

$$\sqrt[n]{a} \cdot \sqrt[n]{b} = \sqrt[n]{ab}$$

\*Product Property: index must be the same

$$\frac{\sqrt[n]{a}}{\sqrt[n]{b}} = \sqrt[n]{\frac{a}{b}}$$

\*Quotient Property: index must be the same

Take note: If the index is not the same, you must apply your exponent rules!

## Sums/Differences of Radicals

When Adding and Subtracting radicals: simplify each term and look to see if you can combine like terms.

- Remember the radical stays the same when you add or subtract the coefficients of the radicals.

**Binomials containing Radicals:** FOIL with radical operations

**Conjugate:** expressions that differ only in signs of the 2<sup>nd</sup> terms

Example:  $\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}$  and  $\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b}$

## Simplify each expression.

16.  $6\sqrt{18} + 3\sqrt{50}$

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{cc} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ 6 & 3 \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 3 & 5 \end{array} & \begin{array}{cc} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ 5 & 2 \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 5 & 5 \end{array} \\ 6 \cdot 3\sqrt{2} + 3 \cdot 5\sqrt{2} \\ 18\sqrt{2} + 15\sqrt{2} = \boxed{33\sqrt{2}} \end{array}$$

18.  $3\sqrt{2}(5\sqrt{8} - 2\sqrt{2})$  distribute!

$$15\sqrt{16} - 6 \cdot 2$$

$$15 \cdot 4 - 12$$

$$60 - 12$$

$$\boxed{48}$$

20.  $(2\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2})^2$  *use twice FOIL*

$$(2\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2})(2\sqrt{5} - \sqrt{2})$$

$$4 \cdot 5 - 2\sqrt{10} - 2\sqrt{10} + 2$$

$$20 - 4\sqrt{10} + 2$$

$$\boxed{22 - 4\sqrt{10}}$$

17.  $3\sqrt[3]{81} - 2\sqrt[3]{54} - \sqrt[3]{2}$

$$\begin{array}{c} \begin{array}{cc} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ 9 & 6 \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 3 & 3 \end{array} & \begin{array}{cc} \uparrow & \uparrow \\ 3 & 2 \\ \downarrow & \downarrow \\ 3 & 3 \end{array} \\ 3 \cdot 3\sqrt[3]{3} - 2 \cdot 3\sqrt[3]{2} - \sqrt[3]{2} \\ 9\sqrt[3]{3} - 6\sqrt[3]{2} - \sqrt[3]{2} \\ \boxed{9\sqrt[3]{3} - 7\sqrt[3]{2}} \end{array}$$

19.  $(5 + 2\sqrt{5})(7 + 4\sqrt{5})$  FOIL

$$35 + 20\sqrt{5} + 14\sqrt{5} + 8 \cdot 5$$

$$35 + 34\sqrt{5} + 40$$

$$\boxed{75 + 34\sqrt{5}}$$

21.  $\frac{(5 + \sqrt{3})}{(2 - \sqrt{3})} \cdot \frac{(2 + \sqrt{3})}{(2 + \sqrt{3})} = \frac{10 + 5\sqrt{3} + 2\sqrt{3} + 3}{4 - 3}$

*Rationalize*  
↑  
Multiply by conjugate

$$\frac{13 + 7\sqrt{3}}{1} = \boxed{13 + 7\sqrt{3}}$$

**Simplify each expression.**

22.  $\sqrt{\frac{50m^2n^6}{8m^4n^5}}$  *Simplify radicand!*

$$\sqrt{\frac{25n}{4m^2}} = \frac{5\sqrt{n}}{2|m|}$$

23.  $-\frac{9x^3}{\sqrt{18x^5}}$  *Simplify!*

$$-\frac{9x^3}{3x^2\sqrt{2x}} = \frac{3x}{\sqrt{2x}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{2x}}{\sqrt{2x}} = \frac{3\sqrt{2x}}{2x}$$

*Rationalize!*

$$\frac{3\sqrt{2x}}{2}$$

24.  $\frac{4+\sqrt{27}}{2-3\sqrt{27}} = \frac{(4+3\sqrt{3})(2+9\sqrt{3})}{(2-9\sqrt{3})(2+9\sqrt{3})}$

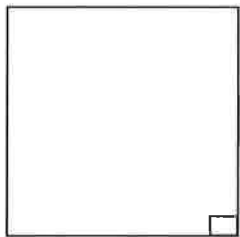
25.  $\frac{4+\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{3}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{4\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{18}}{3} = \frac{4\sqrt{3} + 3\sqrt{2}}{3}$

$$\frac{8 + 36\sqrt{3} + 6\sqrt{3} + 27 \cdot 3}{4 - 81 \cdot 3}$$

$$= \frac{8 + 42\sqrt{3} + 81}{4 - 243} = \frac{89 + 42\sqrt{3}}{-239} = \frac{-89 - 42\sqrt{3}}{239}$$

**Find the area and perimeter of the rectangle below.**

26.  $3 - 4\sqrt{2}$



$5 - 6\sqrt{2}$

$A = lw$   
 $A = (3 - 4\sqrt{2})(5 - 6\sqrt{2})$   
 $A = 15 - 18\sqrt{2} - 20\sqrt{2} + 24 \cdot 2$   
 $A = 15 - 38\sqrt{2} + 48$   
 $A = 63 - 38\sqrt{2} \text{ cm}^2$

$P = 2l + 2w$   
 $P = 2(3 - 4\sqrt{2}) + 2(5 - 6\sqrt{2})$   
 $P = 6 - 8\sqrt{2} + 10 - 12\sqrt{2}$   
 $P = 16 - 20\sqrt{2} \text{ cm}$

**Square Root of a Negative Real Number**

- $i = \sqrt{-1}$
- For any positive number  $a$   
 $\sqrt{-a} = \sqrt{a \cdot -1} = \sqrt{-1} \cdot \sqrt{a} = i\sqrt{a}$
- $i^2 = -1$
- Complex Number  $a \pm bi$  *← imaginary*

*↑  
Real*

**Simplify.**

27.  $\sqrt{-128} = 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2i\sqrt{2}$

$$8i\sqrt{2}$$

28.  $\sqrt{-5} \cdot \sqrt{-60}$

$$\sqrt{300}$$

$$10\sqrt{3}$$

29.  $(2i\sqrt{3})^2$  *Product to a power*

$$2^2 i^2 (\sqrt{3})^2$$

$$4(-1) \cdot 3$$

$$-12$$

## Adding, Subtracting, Multiplying and Dividing Complex Numbers

30.  $(8 + 2i) + (3 - 4i)$

$$\boxed{11 - 2i}$$

31.  $(3 - 5i) - (-1 + 7i)$  *distribute*

$$3 - 5i + 1 - 7i$$

$$\boxed{4 - 12i}$$

32.  $\frac{4+3i}{9i} \cdot \frac{9i}{9i} = \frac{36i + 27i^2}{81i^2}$   *$i^2 = -1!$*

*Rationalize*

$$\frac{36i + 27(-1)}{81(-1)} = \frac{36i - 27}{-81}$$

$$= \frac{27 - 36i}{81} = \boxed{\frac{3 - 4i}{9}}$$

34.  $(4 - i)^2$  *write twice? FOIL!*

$$(4 - i)(4 - i)$$

$$16 - 4i - 4i + i^2$$
  *$i^2 = -1!$*

$$16 - 8i + (-1)$$

$$\boxed{15 - 8i}$$

33.  $(-1 + 2i)(3 + 10i)$  *FOIL*

$$-3 - 10i + 6i + 20i^2$$
  *$i^2 = -1!$*

$$-3 - 4i + 20(-1)$$

$$-3 - 4i - 20$$

$$35. \frac{7}{5-2i} \cdot \frac{5+2i}{5+2i} = \boxed{\frac{-23 - 4i}{29}}$$

$$\frac{35 + 14i}{25 - 4i^2} = \frac{35 + 14i}{25 - 4(-1)}$$

$$= \frac{35 + 14i}{25 + 4} = \boxed{\frac{35 + 14i}{29}}$$