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Solutions

Class 8 Maths

Chapter 2

Ex 2, 2

Q1. Write each of the following in exponential form:

$$(i) \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-1}$$

$$(ii) \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-2} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-2} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-2}$$

Solution:

$$(i) \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-1} = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-1+(-1)+(-1)+(-1)}$$

$$a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n} = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-4}$$

$$(ii) \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-2} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-2} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-2} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-1+(-2)+(-2)}$$

$$a^m \times a^n = a^{m+n} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-6}$$

Q2. Evaluate:

$$(i) 5^{-2}$$

$$(ii) (-3)^{-2}$$

$$(iii) \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-4}$$

$$(iv) \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-1}$$

Solution:

$$(i) 5^{-2} = \frac{1}{5^2} = \frac{1}{25}$$

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

$$(iii) \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-4} = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^4} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{81}} = 81$$

$$(iv) \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-1} = \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-1} = -2$$

Q3. Express each of the following as a rational number in the form $\frac{p}{q}$:

$$(i) 6^{-1}$$

$$(ii) -7^{-1}$$

$$\text{(iii)} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\text{(iv)} (-4)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{-3}{2}\right)^{-1}$$

$$\text{(v)} \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^{-1}$$

Solution:

$$\text{(i)} 6^{-1} = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\text{(ii)} -7^{-1} = \frac{1}{-7} = \frac{-1}{7}$$

$$\text{(iii)} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{4}} = 4$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iv)} (-4)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{-3}{2}\right)^{-1} &= \frac{1}{-4} \times \frac{1}{\frac{-3}{2}} \\ &= \frac{1}{-4} \times \frac{2}{-3} = \frac{1}{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v)} \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^{-1} \times \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^{-1} &= \frac{1}{\frac{3}{5}} \times \frac{1}{\frac{5}{2}} \\ &= \frac{5}{3} \times \frac{2}{5} = \frac{2}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Q4. Simplify:

$$\text{(i)} \{4^{-1} \times 3^{-1}\}^2$$

$$\text{(ii)} \{5^{-1} \div 6^{-1}\}^3$$

$$\text{(iii)} \{2^{-1} + 3^{-1}\}^{-1}$$

$$\text{(iv)} \{3^{-1} + 4^{-1}\}^{-1} \times 5^{-1}$$

$$\text{(v)} \{4^{-1} + 5^{-1}\}^{-1} + 3^{-1}$$

Solution:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i)} \{4^{-1} \times 3^{-1}\}^2 &= \left(\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{12}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{1}{144}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) (5^{-1} \div 6^{-1})^3 = \left(\frac{1}{5} \div \frac{1}{6}\right)^3$$

$$= \left(\frac{6}{5}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{216}{125}\right)$$

$$(iii) \{2^{-1} + 3^{-1}\}^{-1} = \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}\right)^{-1}$$

$$= \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^{-1} = \left(\frac{6}{5}\right)$$

$$(iv) \{3^{-1} + 4^{-1}\}^{-1} \times 5^{-1} = \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{4}\right)^{-1} \times \frac{1}{5}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{12}\right)^{-1} \times \frac{1}{5}$$

$$= 12 \times \frac{1}{5} = \frac{12}{5}$$

$$(v) \{4^{-1} + 5^{-1}\}^{-1} + 3^{-1} = \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5}\right) \div \frac{1}{3}$$

$$= \left(\frac{5+4}{20}\right) \times 3$$

$$= \frac{1}{20} \times 3 = \frac{3}{20}$$

Q5. Express each of the following rational numbers with a negative exponent:

$$(i) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^3$$

$$(ii) (3)^5$$

$$(iii) \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^4$$

$$(iv) \left\{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^4\right\}^{-3}$$

$$(v) \left\{\left(\frac{7}{4}\right)^4\right\}^{-3}$$

Solution:

$$(i) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^3$$

$$= \left(\frac{4}{1}\right)^{-3}$$

$$(ii) (3)^5$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-5}$$

$$(iii) \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)^4$$

$$= \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{-4}$$

$$\text{(iv) } \left\{ \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^4 \right\}^{-3}$$

$$= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-12}$$

$$\text{(v) } \left\{ \left(\frac{7}{4}\right)^4 \right\}^{-3}$$

$$= \left(\frac{7}{4}\right)^{-12}$$

Q6. Express each of the following rational numbers with a positive exponent.

$$\text{(i) } \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{-2}$$

$$\text{(ii) } \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-3}$$

$$\text{(iii) } 4^3 \times 4^{-9}$$

$$\text{(iv) } \left\{ \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{-3} \right\}^{-4}$$

$$\text{(v) } \left\{ \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^4 \right\}^{-2}$$

Solution:

$$\text{(i) } \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{-2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^2$$

$$\text{(ii) } \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-3}$$

$$= \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^3$$

$$\text{(iii) } 4^3 \times 4^{-9}$$

$$= 4^{3-9} = 4^{-6}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^6$$

$$\text{(iv) } \left\{ \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{-3} \right\}^{-4}$$

$$= \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{-4 \times -3}$$

$$= \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{12}$$

$$(v) \left\{ \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^4 \right\}^{-2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{4 \times -2}$$

$$= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-8}$$

$$= \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^8$$

Q7. Simplify:

$$(i) \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-3} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-3} \right\} \div \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-3}$$

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

$$(iii) \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1} \times (-4)^{-1} \right\}^{-1}$$

$$(iv) \left[\left\{ \left(\frac{-1}{4}\right)^2 \right\}^{-2} \right]^{-1}$$

$$(v) \left\{ \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2 \right\}^3 \times \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-4} \times 3^{-1} \times 6^{-1}$$

Solution:

(i)

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-3} - \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-3} \right\} \div \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-3} &= \left(\frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^3} - \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3} \right) \div \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^3} \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{27}\right)} - \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{8}\right)} \right) \div \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{64}\right)} \\ &= \left(\frac{27}{1} - \frac{8}{1} \right) \div 64 \\ &= (19) \times \frac{1}{64} \\ &= \frac{19}{64} \end{aligned}$$

(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} (3^2 - 2^2) \times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-3} &= (9 - 4) \times \frac{1}{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^3} \\ &= 5 \times \frac{27}{8} \\ &= \frac{135}{8} \end{aligned}$$

(iii)

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1} \times (-4)^{-1}\right)^{-1} = \left(\left(\frac{1}{1/2}\right) \times \left(\frac{1}{-4}\right)\right)^{-1} \\
& = \left(2 \times \left(\frac{1}{-4}\right)\right)^{-1} \\
& = \left(\frac{1}{-2}\right) \\
& = \frac{1}{1/(-2)} \\
& = -2
\end{aligned}$$

$$(iv) \left(\left(\left(\frac{-1}{4}\right)^2\right)^{-2}\right)^{-1} = \left(\left(\frac{(-1)^2}{4^2}\right)^{-2}\right)^{-1}$$

$$= \left(\left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^{-2}\right)^{-1}$$

$$= \left(\left(\frac{1}{(1/16)^2}\right)\right)^{-1}$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{(1/256)}\right)^{-1}$$

$$= 256^{-1} = \frac{1}{256}$$

(v)

$$\left\{\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2\right\}^3 \times \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^{-4} \times 3^{-1} \times 6^{-1}$$

$$= \left(\frac{2^2}{3^2}\right)^3 \times \frac{1}{(1/3)^4} \times \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{6}$$

$$= \frac{4^3}{9^3} \times 81 \times \frac{1}{18}$$

$$= \frac{64}{729} \times 81 \times \frac{1}{18}$$

$$= \frac{64}{9} \times \frac{1}{18}$$

$$= 64 \times \frac{1}{162}$$

$$= \frac{64}{162}$$

$$= \frac{32}{81}$$

Q8. By what number should 5^{-1} be multiplied so that the product may be equal to $(-7)^{-1}$?

Solution:

Expressing in fraction form, we get:

$$5^{-1} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\text{And } (-7)^{-1} = \frac{1}{-7}$$

We have to find a number x such that

$$\frac{1}{5}x = \frac{-1}{7}$$

Multiplying both side by 5, we get:

$$x = -\frac{5}{7}$$

Hence, 5^{-1} be multiplied by $-\frac{5}{7}$ to obtain $(-7)^{-1}$.

Q9. By what number should $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1}$ be multiplied so that the product may be equal to $\left(\frac{-4}{7}\right)^{-1}$?

Solution:

Expressing in fraction form, we get

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1} = 2,$$

$$\text{And } \left(\frac{-4}{7}\right)^{-1} = -\frac{7}{4}$$

We have to find a number x such that:

$$2x = -\frac{7}{4}$$

Dividing both side by 2, we get

$$x = -\frac{7}{8}$$

Hence, $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1}$ should be multiplies by $-\frac{7}{8}$ to obtain $\left(\frac{-4}{7}\right)^{-1}$.

Q10. By what number should $(-15)^{-1}$ be divided so that the quotient may be equal to $(-5)^{-1}$

Solution:

Expressing in fraction form, we get:

$$(-15)^{-1} = -\frac{1}{15} \quad (\text{using } a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a})$$

And

$$(-5)^{-1} = -\frac{1}{5} \quad (\text{using } a^{-1} = \frac{1}{a})$$

We have to find a number x such that

$$-\frac{1}{15} \div x = -\frac{1}{5}$$

Solving this equation, we get:

$$-\frac{1}{15} \times \frac{1}{x} = -\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{15} = -\frac{x}{5} - \frac{-5}{-15} = x \times x = \frac{1}{3}$$

Hence, $(-15)^{-1}$ should be divided by $\frac{1}{3}$ to obtain $(-5)^{-1}$

Q11. By what number should $\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{-2}$ be multiplies so that the product may be $\left(\frac{7}{3}\right)^{-1}$?

Solution:

Expressing as a positive exponent, we have:

$$\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{-2} = \frac{1}{(5/3)^2}$$

$$= \frac{1}{25/9}$$

$$= \frac{9}{25}$$

and

$$= \left(\frac{7}{3}\right)^{-1} = \frac{3}{7}$$

We have to find a number x such that

$$\frac{9}{25} \times x = \frac{3}{7}$$

Multiplying both sides by $25/9$, we get:

$$x = \frac{3}{7} \times \frac{25}{9} = \frac{1}{7} \times \frac{25}{3} = \frac{25}{21}$$

Hence, $\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^{-2}$ should be multiplies by $\frac{25}{21}$ to obtain $\left(\frac{7}{3}\right)^{-1}$.

Q12. Find x , if:

$$(i) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-4} \times \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-8} = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-4x}$$

$$(ii) \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-19} \times \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^8 = \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-2x+1}$$

$$(iii) \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-3} \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^5 = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{2x+1}$$

$$(iv) \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-3} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{15} = \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{2+3x}$$

$$(v) \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-x} \div \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-4} = \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^5$$

$$(vi) \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^{2x+1} \times \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^5 = \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^{x+2}$$

Answer:

(i) We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-4} \times \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-8} &= \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-4x} \\ \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-12} &= \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-4x} \\ -12 &= -4x \\ 3 &= x \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $x = 3$

(ii) We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-19} \times \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^8 &= \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-2x+1} \\ \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-11} &= \left(\frac{-1}{2}\right)^{-2x+1} \\ -11 &= -2x + 1 \\ -12 &= -2x \\ 6 &= x \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $x = 6$

(iii) We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-3} \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^5 &= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{2x+1} \\ \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 &= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{2x+1} \\ 2 &= 2x + 1 \\ 1 &= 2x \\ \frac{1}{2} &= x \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $x = \frac{1}{2}$

(iv) We have:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-3} \times \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{15} &= \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{2+3x} \\ \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{12} &= \left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{2+3x} \\ 12 &= 2 + 3x \\ 10 &= 3x \\ \frac{10}{3} &= x \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $x = \frac{10}{3}$

(v) We have:

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-x} \div \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-4} &= \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^5 \\ \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^{-x+4} &= \left(\frac{5}{4}\right)^5 \\ -x + 4 &= 5 \\ -x &= 1 \\ x &= -1\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $x = -1$

(vi) We have:

$$\begin{aligned}\left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^{2x+1} \times \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^5 &= \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^{x+2} \\ \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^{2x+6} &= \left(\frac{8}{3}\right)^{x+2} \\ 2x + 6 &= x + 2 \\ x &= -4\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $x = -4$

Q13.

(i) if $x = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-4}$, find the value of x^{-2} .

(ii) If $x = \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{-2} \div \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2$, find the value of x^{-1} .

Answer:

(i) First, we have to find x .

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \times \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-4} \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^2 \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^4 \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^6\end{aligned}$$

Hence, x^{-2} is:

$$\begin{aligned}x^{-2} &= \left(\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^6\right)^{-2} \\ &= \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-12} \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{12}\end{aligned}$$

(ii) First we will have to find x .

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \left(\frac{4}{5}\right)^{-2} \div \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{4^{-2}}{5^{-2}}\right) \times 4^2 \\ &= \frac{4^0}{5^{-2}} \\ &= \left(5^2\right)^{-1} \\ &= \frac{1}{5^2}\end{aligned}$$

Q14. Find the value of x for which $5^{2x} \div 5^{-3} = 5^5$.

Answer: We have:

$$\begin{aligned}5^{2x} \div 5^{-3} &= 5^5 \\ 5^{2x+3} &= 5^5 \\ 2x + 3 &= 5 \\ 2x &= 2 \\ x &= 1\end{aligned}$$

Hence, x is 1.