

Intermediate Algebra

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Rational Exponents and Radical Expressions

Laws of Exponents

$$x^m \cdot x^n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$x^m + x^n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$(x^m)^n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$x^{-m} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$(x+y)^2 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\frac{x^m}{x^n} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$x^0 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$x^1 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$3^{-2} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$(x^m \cdot y^n)^k = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$x^{\frac{3}{4}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$x^{\frac{1}{2}} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Definition of Rational Exponents - $x^{\frac{m}{n}} =$

Simplify.

$$2) \ 81^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$12) \left(\frac{8}{27}\right)^{-\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$18) \ x \cdot x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

Simplify.

$$26) \frac{b^{\frac{3}{4}}}{b^{-\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$42) (a^3 b^9)^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$60) (27m^3 n^{-6})^{\frac{1}{3}} (m^{-\frac{1}{3}} n^{\frac{5}{6}})^6$$

$$62) \left[\frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}} y^{-\frac{5}{4}}}{y^{-\frac{3}{4}}} \right]^{-4}$$

$$72) a^{-\frac{n}{3}} \cdot a^{\frac{n}{2}}$$

Assignment:
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