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Assignment Handout - Answers

1. Simplify the following expressions. Show all your work.

a. $y^{64} \times y^{42}$ b. $p^{90} \times p^{12}$ c. $(r^7 \times r^3)^4$ d. $(s^{14} \times s^{-12})^3$

$$= y^{108} \quad = p^{102} \quad = r^{40} \quad = s^6$$

e. $\frac{q^{64}}{q^{42}}$ f. $\frac{a^{23}}{a^{17}}$ g. $\left(\frac{k^{46}}{k^{32}}\right)^3$ h. $\left(\frac{g^{21}}{g^{21}}\right)^8$

$$= q^{22} \quad = a^6 \quad = k^{42} \quad = 1$$

i. $\frac{z}{z^8}$ j. $\frac{c^{12}}{c^{27}}$ k. $\left(\frac{d^3}{d^9}\right)^4$ l. $\left(\frac{f^{32}}{f^{38}}\right)^4$

$$= \frac{1}{z^7} \quad = \frac{1}{c^{15}} \quad = \frac{1}{d^{24}} \quad = \frac{1}{f^{24}}$$

m. $(x^{13})^4$ n. $(t^7)^{-3}$ o. $(j^{-3})^7$ p. $(v^{-4})^{-5}$

$$= x^{52} \quad = \frac{1}{t^{21}} \quad = \frac{1}{j^{21}} \quad = v^{20}$$

q. $\left(\frac{(w^3 \times w^4)^2}{(w^{-2} \times w^5)^{-2}}\right)^3$ r. $\left(\frac{a^5}{a^9}\right)^4 \times \left(\frac{a^3}{a^6}\right)^2$

$$= w^{60} \quad = \frac{1}{a^{22}}$$

2. Simplify the following expressions. Show all your work.

a. $\left(\frac{9}{12a}\right)^3$ b. $(2x^4y)^4$ c. $(m^2n^{-5})^3$ d. $(-2ab^4)(3b^2c^2)$

$$= \frac{27}{64a^3} \quad = 16x^{16}y^4 \quad = \frac{m^6}{n^{15}} \quad = -6ab^6c^2$$

e. $\left(\frac{3c^5}{2c^7}\right)^{-3}$ f. $2(c^5d^{-4})^{-5}$ g. $(2xy^4)^{-5}$ h. $3(-4a^4b^{-5})^{-3}$

$$= \frac{8c^6}{27} \quad = \frac{2d^{20}}{c^{25}} \quad = \frac{1}{32x^5y^{20}} \quad = \frac{-3b^{15}}{64a^{12}}$$

i. $\left(\frac{x^6y^5}{y^9z^{-2}}\right)^{-3}$ j. $\left(2 \times \frac{a^4}{a^5} \times \frac{a^{-4}}{a^{-5}}\right)^4$

$$= \frac{y^{12}z^6}{x^{18}} \quad = 16$$