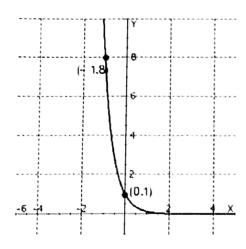
Pre-Calculus Chapter 3 Test (Mixed Practice)

Multiple Choice

Identify the choice that best completes the statement or answers the question.

1. Find the value of b that would cause the graph of $y = b^x$ to look like the graph indicated.



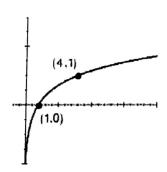
(a)
$$b = -8$$
 (b) $b = \frac{1}{8}$ (c) $b = \frac{3}{8}$ (d) $b = -\frac{1}{8}$ (e) $b = 8$

2. Find the value of x.

$$\log_3 729 = x$$

ⓐ
$$x = 365$$
 ⓑ $x = 729$ ⓒ $x = 3$ ⓓ $x = 6$

3. Find the value of b, if any, that would cause the graph of $y = \log_b x$ to look like the graph shown.



(a)
$$b = 4$$
 (b) $b = 1$ (c) $b = 4.3$ (d) $b = 3$ (e) $b = 3.7$

4. A population growing at an annual rate r will triple in a time t given by the formula $t = \frac{\ln 3}{r}$. If the growth rate remains constant and equals 9% per year, how long will it take the population of the town to triple?

(a) 6.6 years (b) 1 years (c) 5.3 years (d) 2.2 years (e) 12.2 years

5. Solve the equation.

 $2^{x} = 5$

ⓐ x = 0.5541 ⓑ x = 5.8628 ⓒ x = 0.4307 ⓓ x = 1.4307 ⓒ x = 1.6652

6. Simplify the expression.

 $\log_3 3^6$

(a) 6 (b) 36 (c) 3 (d) 18 (e) none of these

7. Simplify the expression.

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(a) 2 (b) 18 (c) 4 (d) 9 (e) none of these

8. Tritium, a radioactive isotope of hydrogen, has a half-life of 12.4 years. Of an initial sample of 69 grams, how much will remain after 75 years?

(a) 1.5848 grams (b) 61.5289 grams (c) 0.0000 grams (d) 1.0426 grams (e) 17.2500 grams

Short Answer

- 9. Carbon dating presumes that, as long as a plant or animal is alive, the proportion of its carbon that is 14 C is constant. The amount of 14 C in an object made from harvested plants, like paper, will decline exponentially according to the equation $A = A_o e^{-0.0001213t}$, where A represents the amount of 14 C in the object, A_o represents the amount of 14 C in living organisms, and t is the time in years since the plant was harvested. If an archeological artifact has 40% as much 14 C as a living organism, how old would you predict it to be? Round to the nearest year.
- 10. The chemical acidity of a solution is measured in units of pH: $pH = -log[H^+]$, where $[H^+]$ is the hydrogen ion concentration in the solution. What is $[H^+]$ if the pH = 8.8?
- 11. Rewrite the exponential equation $5^{-3} = \frac{1}{125}$ in logarithmic form.

- 12. What is the value of the function $f(x) = 25e^{0.4x}$ at x = 1.3? Round to 3 decimal places.
- 13. An initial investment of \$9000 grows at an annual interest rate of 5% compounded continuously. How long will it take to double the investment?
- 14. Let Q represent a mass of radioactive radium (226 Ra) (in grams), whose half-life is 1599 years. The quantity of radium present after t years is

$$Q = 5\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t/1599}$$

Determine the quantity present after 300 years. Round to the nearest hundredth of a gram.

- 15. Solve for x: $4^{-x/2} = 0.0052$. Round to 3 decimal places.
- 16. Use the One-to-One Property to solve the following equation for x.

$$2^{3x} = 128$$

- 17. Solve for x: $9(10^{x-2}) = 23$. Round to 3 decimal places.
- 18. Write the logarithmic equation ln5 = 1.609... in exponential form.
- 19. Evaluate the function $f(x) = \log_3 x$ at $x = \frac{1}{27}$ without using a calculator.
- 20. Write the exponential equation $e^{1/2} = 1.6487...$ in logarithmic form.
- 21. Solve the equation log(1-x) = log(10) for x using the One-to-One Property.
- 22. Identify the x-intercept of the function $f(x) = 2 \ln(x-3)$.
- 23. Rewrite the logarithm $\log_3 21$ in terms of the natural logarithm.
- 24. Simplify the expression $\log_3 \left(\frac{1}{27}\right)^4$.
- 25. Solve $\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^x = 125$ for x.
- 26. Condense the expression $7(\log x \log y)$ to the logarithm of a single term.

- 27. Condense the expression $\frac{1}{5} \left[\log_4 x + \log_4 7 \right] \left[\log_4 y \right]$ to the logarithm of a single term.
- 28. Find the exact value of $\log_8 \sqrt[3]{64}$ without using a calculator.
- 29. Find the exact value of $\ln e^{2.50} \ln \sqrt{e}$ without using a calculator.
- 30. Find the exact value of $\log_4 36 \log_4 9$ without using a calculator.

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MULTIPLE CHOICE

- 1. B
- 2. D
- 3. A
- 4. E
- 5. C
- 6. A
- 7. A
- 8. D

SHORT ANSWER

- 9. 7554 years
- 10. 1.58×10^{-9}
- 11. $\log_5 \frac{1}{125} = -3$
- 12. 42.051
- 13. 13.86 years
- 14. 4.39 g
- 15. 7.587
- 16. $\frac{7}{3}$
- 17. 2.407
- 18. $e^{1.609...} = 5$
- 19. –3
- 20. $\ln(1.6487...) = \frac{1}{2}$
- 21. -9
- 22. x = 4
- 23. $\frac{\ln 21}{\ln 3}$
- 24. -12
- 25. -3
- 26. $\log\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^7$
- $27. \quad \log_4 \frac{\sqrt[5]{7x}}{y}$
- 28. $\frac{2}{3}$
- 29. 2
- 30. 1