

# Algebra 2 // Topic 5 Practice A

1)  $8^{-6}$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{8^6}}$$

2)  $(-7)^{-10}$

$$\frac{1}{(-7)^{10}} = \boxed{\frac{1}{7^{10}}}$$

what happens to "-"?  
Any -# to an even power will always be "+". If it were an odd power then it would be "-".

3)  $-3^{-5}$

$$\frac{-1}{3^5} = \boxed{\frac{-1}{243}}$$

4)  $x^{-4} \cdot x^{12} \cdot x^{-6}$

$$\boxed{x^2}$$

There is a major difference between #2 and #3 and it's all about the parentheses!  
#2 has them so the exponent effects everything inside.  
In #3, the exponent does not effect the "-".

5)  $(k^9 f^2)(k^{-9} f^4)$

$$= k^0 f^6 = \boxed{f^6}$$

6)  $x^4 \cdot 2x^{-7}$

$$= 2x^{-3} = \boxed{\frac{2}{x^3}}$$

7)  $(2a^5)(-3a^2b^{-4})(-7ab^3)$

$$= 42a^8b^{-1} = \boxed{\frac{42a^8}{b}}$$

PEMDAS

8)  $(3x^3y^5)(8x^{-2}y^9)$

$$= 24x^1y^{14} = \boxed{24xy^{14}}$$

9)  $(p^2)^{-10}$

$$= p^{-20} = \boxed{\frac{1}{p^{20}}}$$

10)  $(a^5b^3)^6(a^{-8}b^2)^5$

$$= (a^{30}b^{18})(a^{-40}b^{10})$$

$$= a^{-10}b^{28} = \boxed{\frac{b^{28}}{a^{10}}}$$

11)  $(z^3)^{-5}(z^2)^7$

$$= (z^{-15})(z^{14})$$

$$= z^{-1} = \boxed{\frac{1}{z}}$$

12)  $(3^{-5})^6$

$$= 3^{-30}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{3^{30}}}$$

13)  $(5^3g^5)^4$

$$= \boxed{5^{12}g^{20}}$$

14)  $(4^{-7}\sqrt{3})^7$

$$= 4^{-49}\sqrt{3}^{21}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{\sqrt{3}^{21}}{4^{49}}}$$

$$15) (8x^7)^5 (9x^{-2})^9$$

$$= (8^5 x^{35}) (9^9 x^{-18})$$

$$= \boxed{8^5 9^9 x^{17}}$$

$$16) (4^2 y^2)^{-3}$$

$$= 4^{-6} y^{-6}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{4^6 y^6}}$$

$$17) \frac{3^7 w^3 x^5}{3^9 w^7 x^2}$$

$$= \frac{x^3}{3^2 w^4} = \boxed{\frac{x^3}{9w^4}}$$

$$18) \frac{y^{17} a^{10}}{y^{12} z^{19}}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{a^{10} y^5}{z^{19}}}$$

$$19) \left( \frac{6^{11}}{7^8} \right)^{-5}$$

$$= \frac{6^{-55}}{7^{-40}} = \boxed{\frac{7^{40}}{6^{55}}}$$

$$20) \left( \frac{x^{13}}{y^9} \right)^9$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{x^{117}}{y^{81}}}$$

↑ Take your time. Make sure there are no negative exponents in your answers. You do not need to multiply super large exponents, like  $7^{40}$ ... Use PEMDAS and your exponent rules.