



# 8th Grade Mathematics

## Unit 1

### EXponents

Worth County Middle School

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## Unit 1: Exponents

Unit EQ: How can I use integer exponents and radicals to solve real-life problems?

Integer Exponents	Scientific Notation	Irrational Numbers	Square/Cube Roots
<p><b>Essential Questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can I apply the properties of integer exponents to generate equivalent numerical expressions?</li> <li>• How do I simplify and evaluate numeric expressions involving integer exponents?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Essential Questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How can I represent very small and large numbers using integer exponents and scientific notation?</li> <li>• How can I perform operations with numbers expressed in scientific notation?</li> <li>• How can the properties of exponents and knowledge of working with scientific notation help me interpret information?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Essential Questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What is the difference between rational and irrational numbers?</li> <li>• What strategies can I use to create and solve linear equations with one solution, infinitely many solutions, or no solutions?</li> </ul>	<p><b>Essential Questions:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why is it useful for me to know the square root of a number?</li> <li>• How do we locate approximate locations of irrational numbers on a number line and estimate the values of irrational numbers?</li> <li>• Why do we approximate irrational numbers?</li> </ul>
<p><b>GA Standards of Excellence:</b> MGSE8.EE.1</p> <p><b>Vocabulary:</b> Exponent Exponential Notation</p>	<p><b>GA Standards of Excellence:</b> MGSE8.EE.3, MGSE8.EE.4</p> <p><b>Vocabulary:</b> Decimal Expansion Scientific Notation Significant Digits</p>	<p><b>GA Standards of Excellence:</b> MGSE8.EE.7, MGSE8.EE.7a, MGSE8.EE.7b, MGSE8.NS.1, MGSE8.NS.2</p> <p><b>Vocabulary:</b> Addition Property of Equality Multiplication Property of Equality Linear Equation Variable Multiplicative Inverses Additive Inverses Algebraic Expression Equation Evaluate *Rational *Irrational *Solution *Like Terms *Inverse Operation</p>	<p><b>GA Standards of Excellence:</b> MGSE8.EE.2, MGSE8.NS.2</p> <p><b>Vocabulary:</b> Cube Root Square Root Perfect Square Radical</p>

## Unit 1 Georgia Standards of Excellence

### Work with radicals and integer exponents.

**MGSE8.EE.1** Know and apply the properties of integer exponents to generate equivalent numerical expressions.

**MGSE8.EE.2** Use square root and cube root symbols to represent solutions to equations. Recognize that  $x^2 = p$  (where  $p$  is a positive rational number and  $|x| < 25$ ) has 2 solutions and  $x^3 = p$  (where  $p$  is a negative or positive rational number and  $|x| < 10$ ) has one solution. Evaluate square roots of perfect squares  $< 625$  and cube roots of perfect cubes  $> -1000$  and  $< 1000$ .

**MGSE8.EE.3** Use numbers expressed in scientific notation to estimate very large or very small quantities, and to express how many times as much one is than the other. For example, estimate the population of the United States as  $3 \times 10^8$  and the population of the world as  $7 \times 10^9$ , and determine that the world population is more than 20 times larger.

**MGSE8.EE.4** Add, subtract, multiply and divide numbers expressed in scientific notation, including problems where both decimal and scientific notation are used. Understand scientific notation and choose units of appropriate size for measurements of very large or very small quantities (e.g. use millimeters per year for seafloor spreading). Interpret scientific notation that has been generated by technology (e.g. calculators).

**MGSE8.EE.7** Solve linear equations in one variable.

**MGSE8.EE.7a.** Give examples of linear equations in one variable with one solution, infinitely many solutions, or no solutions. Show which of these possibilities is the case by successively transforming the given equation into simpler forms, until an equivalent equation of the form  $x = a$ ,  $a = a$ , or  $a = b$  results (where  $a$  and  $b$  are different numbers).

**MGSE8.EE.7b.** Solve linear equations with rational number coefficients, including equations whose solutions require expanding expressions using the distributive property and collecting like terms.

**MGSE8.NS.1** Know that numbers that are not rational are called irrational. Understand informally that every number has a decimal expansion; for rational numbers show that the decimal expansion repeats eventually, and convert a decimal expansion which repeats eventually into a rational number.

**MGSE8.NS.2** Use rational approximation of irrational numbers to compare the size of irrational numbers, locate them approximately on a number line, and estimate the value of expressions (e.g., estimate  $\pi^2$  to the nearest tenth). For example, by truncating the decimal expansion of  $\sqrt{2}$  (square root of 2), show that  $\sqrt{2}$  is between 1 and 2, then between 1.4 and 1.5, and explain how to continue on to get better approximations.

## Lesson 1:

# PROPERTIES OF EXPONENTS

$$x^3 = x \cdot x \cdot x$$

There are a couple of operations you can do on powers and we will introduce them now.

We can multiply powers with the same base

$$x^4 \cdot x^2 = (x \cdot x \cdot x \cdot x) \cdot (x \cdot x) = x^6$$

This is an example of the product of powers property tells us that when you multiply powers with the same base you just have to add the exponents.

$$x^a \cdot x^b = x^{a+b}$$

We can raise a power to a power

$$(x^2)^4 = (x \cdot x) \cdot (x \cdot x) \cdot (x \cdot x) \cdot (x \cdot x) = x^8$$

This is called the power of a power property and says that to find a power of a power you just have to multiply the exponents.

When you raise a product to a power you raise each factor with a power

$$(xy)^2 = (xy) \cdot (xy) = (x \cdot x) \cdot (y \cdot y) = x^2 y^2$$

This is called the power of a product property

$$(xy)^a = x^a y^a$$

As well as we could multiply powers we can divide powers.

$$\frac{x^4}{x^2} = \frac{x \cdot x \cdot \cancel{x} \cdot \cancel{x}}{\cancel{x} \cdot \cancel{x}} = x^2$$

This is an example of the quotient of powers property and tells us that when you divide powers with the same base you just have to subtract the exponents.

$$\frac{x^a}{x^b} = x^{a-b}, \quad x \neq 0$$

When you raise a quotient to a power you raise both the numerator and the denominator to the power.

$$\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^2 = \frac{x}{y} \cdot \frac{x}{y} = \frac{x \cdot x}{y \cdot y} = \frac{x^2}{y^2}$$

This is called the power of a quotient power

$$\left(\frac{x}{y}\right)^a = \frac{x^a}{y^a}, \quad y \neq 0$$

When you raise a number to a zero power you'll always get 1.

$$1 = \frac{x^a}{x^a} = x^{a-a} = x^0$$

$$x^0 = 1, \quad x \neq 0$$

Negative exponents are the reciprocals of the positive exponents.

$$x^{-a} = \frac{1}{x^a}, \quad x \neq 0$$

$$x^a = \frac{1}{x^{-a}}, \quad x \neq 0$$

**Check What You Know****Integers and Exponents**

Find the value of each expression.

a

1.  $7^3 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

2.  $9^4 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

3.  $4^{-3} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

4.  $2^{-5} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

5.  $7^4 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

b

$8^5 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$1^5 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$3^{-5} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$9^{-3} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$3^{-4} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

c

$4^2 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$6^8 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$7^{-4} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$10^{-3} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$5^9 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

Rewrite each multiplication or division expression using a base and an exponent.

6.  $4^5 \div 4^2 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$6^{-5} \times 6^3 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$8^{-4} \div 8^{-2} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

7.  $9^{11} \div 9^6 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$5^{-3} \times 5^{-1} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$3^{-6} \div 3^4 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

8.  $8^2 \times 8^3 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$6^4 \times 6^7 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$4^{-2} \div 4^{-5} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

9.  $7^6 \div 7^3 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$4^8 \times 4^3 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$9^5 \times 9^6 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

10.  $2^9 \div 2^{-3} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$3^8 \div 3^2 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$12^4 \times 12^{10} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

11.  $5^4 \times 5^2 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$10^7 \div 10^4 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$11^3 \times 11^4 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

12.  $7^5 \div 7^2 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$6^6 \times 6^3 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$12^4 \div 12^2 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

# Lesson 1.1 Using Exponents

A **power** of a number represents repeated multiplication of the number by itself.

$6^4 = 6 \times 6 \times 6 \times 6$  and is read *6 to the fourth power*.

In exponential numbers, the **base** is the number that is multiplied, and the **exponent** represents the number of times the base is used as factor. In  $6^4$ , 6 is the base and 4 is the exponent.

$5^5$  means 5 is used as a factor 5 times.

$$5 \times 5 \times 5 \times 5 \times 5 = 3,125 \qquad 5^5 = 3,125$$

Write each power as a product of the factors.

a

b

c

1.  $3^3$  \_\_\_\_\_

$5^5$  \_\_\_\_\_

$6^1$  \_\_\_\_\_

2.  $2^{12}$  \_\_\_\_\_

$3^8$  \_\_\_\_\_

$3^6$  \_\_\_\_\_

3.  $4^7$  \_\_\_\_\_

$4^4$  \_\_\_\_\_

$8^3$  \_\_\_\_\_

Use exponents to rewrite these expressions.

a

b

4.  $24 \times 24 \times 24$  \_\_\_\_\_

$2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2$  \_\_\_\_\_

5.  $3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3$  \_\_\_\_\_

$5 \times 5$  \_\_\_\_\_

6.  $5 \times 5 \times 5 \times 5 \times 5 \times 5$  \_\_\_\_\_

$4 \times 4 \times 4$  \_\_\_\_\_

Find the value of each expression.

a

b

c

7.  $8^3 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$9^4 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$10^2 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

# Lesson 1.3 Negative Exponents

When a power includes a negative exponent, express the number as 1 divided by the base and change the exponent to positive.

$$\begin{aligned} 4^{-2} &= \frac{1}{4^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{16} \\ &= 0.0625 \end{aligned}$$

To multiply or divide powers with the same base, combine bases, add or subtract the exponents, and then simplify.

$$\begin{aligned} 2^{-3} \times 2^{-2} &= 2^{-5} = \frac{1}{2^5} = 0.03125 \\ 2^{-4} \div 2^{-2} &= 2^{-2} = \frac{1}{2^2} = 0.25 \end{aligned}$$

Rewrite each expression with a positive exponent. Then, solve. Round your answer to four decimal places.

- | a                   | b                 | c                |
|---------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1. $3^{-2} =$ _____ | $6^{-3} =$ _____  | $8^{-2} =$ _____ |
| 2. $7^{-3} =$ _____ | $3^{-3} =$ _____  | $9^{-2} =$ _____ |
| 3. $4^{-3} =$ _____ | $5^{-2} =$ _____  | $2^{-3} =$ _____ |
| 4. $2^{-4} =$ _____ | $10^{-3} =$ _____ | $1^{-4} =$ _____ |

Find each product. Round your answer to five decimal places.

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|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 5. $4^{-2} \times 4^{-3} =$ _____ | $2^{-4} \times 2^{-1} =$ _____ | $3^{-2} \times 3^{-3} =$ _____ |
| 6. $6^{-2} \times 6^{-2} =$ _____ | $5^{-2} \times 5^{-4} =$ _____ | $3^{-2} \times 3^{-2} =$ _____ |
| 7. $8^{-6} \times 8^4 =$ _____    | $7^{-5} \times 7^2 =$ _____    | $2^{-7} \times 2^4 =$ _____    |

Find each quotient. Round your answer to five decimal places.

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|---------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 8. $4^{-4} \div 4^{-2} =$ _____ | $8^{-5} \div 8^{-3} =$ _____ | $3^{-5} \div 3^{-2} =$ _____ |
| 9. $2^{-8} \div 2^{-4} =$ _____ | $5^{-6} \div 5^{-4} =$ _____ | $6^{-7} \div 6^{-4} =$ _____ |
| 10. $3^{-3} \div 3^2 =$ _____   | $4^{-3} \div 4^1 =$ _____    | $2^{-6} \div 2^{-3} =$ _____ |

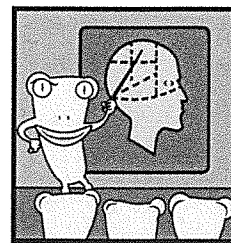


# EXPONENT RULES

## GRAPHIC ORGANIZER

Name	Rule	Examples
ADDING & SUBTRACTING MONOMIALS	<b>COMBINE LIKE TERMS!!!</b> (DO NOT CHANGE common variables and exponents!)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><math>9x^2y - 10x^2y =</math></li> <li>Subtract <math>6w</math> from <math>8w</math></li> </ol>
PRODUCT RULE	$X^a \cdot X^b =$	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><math>h^2 \cdot h^6 =</math></li> <li><math>(-2a^2b) \cdot (7a^3b) =</math></li> </ol>
POWER RULE	$(X^a)^b =$	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><math>(x^2)^3 =</math></li> <li><math>(-2m^5)^2 \cdot m^3 =</math></li> </ol>
QUOTIENT RULE	$\frac{X^a}{X^b} =$	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><math>\frac{27x^5}{42x} =</math></li> <li><math>\frac{(y^2)^2}{y^4} =</math></li> </ol>
NEGATIVE EXPONENT RULE	$X^{-a} =$	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><math>-5x^{-2} =</math></li> <li><math>\frac{4k^2}{8k^5} =</math></li> </ol>
ZERO EXPONENT RULE	$X^0 =$	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><math>7x^0 =</math></li> <li><math>\frac{(w^4)^2}{w^8} =</math></li> </ol>

## Alien Attack!



Aliens from the Outer Space Galactic Task Force have been watching the recent gains in mathematical understanding developing in human brains from Planet Earth. They have become alarmed that Planet Earth might soon develop the capabilities to discover that life exists on other planets with this increased mathematical knowledge. To slow the progress, they have organized an attack on the World Wide Web and all other forms of math textbooks. All words have been eradicated from the mathematics examples! Humans will now be forced to study the patterns of numbers and previously worked examples to rediscover the properties of mathematics! They are confident that humans will not persevere in the challenge of making sense of problems, reasoning abstractly and quantitatively, constructing viable arguments, looking for and making use of structure, and using repeated reasoning to recreate the language of mathematics. They have already declared MISSION ACCOMPLISHED!

The next standard in your mathematics class requires knowledge of the properties of integer exponents. Can your team recreate and name the properties by using the Standards for Mathematical Practice to examine the examples that remain?

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<hr/> $7^3 \cdot 7^2 = (7 \cdot 7 \cdot 7) \cdot (7 \cdot 7) = 7^5$ $5^3 \cdot 5^3 = (5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5) \cdot (5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5) = 5^6$ $3 \cdot 3^4 = (3) \cdot (3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3) = 3^5$	
<hr/> $(2^2)^3 = (2^2) \cdot (2^2) \cdot (2^2) = 2^6$ $(6^4)^2 = (6^4) \cdot (6^4) = 6^8$	
<hr/> $3^5 \cdot 2^5 = (3 \cdot 2)^5 = 6^5$ $4^3 \cdot 5^3 = (4 \cdot 5)^3 = 20^3$ $(2 \cdot 3)^6 = 2^6 \cdot 3^6$	

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$2^3$	$2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2$	$8$	
$2^2$	$2 \cdot 2$	$4$	
$2^1$	$2$	$2$	
$2^0$			
$2^{-1}$			
$2^{-2}$			
$2^{-3}$			
$5^3$	$5 \cdot 5 \cdot 5$	$125$	
$5^2$	$5 \cdot 5$	$25$	
$5^1$	$5$	$5$	
$5^0$			
$5^{-1}$			
$5^{-2}$			
$5^{-3}$			
<hr style="width: 30%; margin-left: 0;"/>  $\frac{5^5}{5^2} = 5^{5-2} = 5^3 = 125$  $\frac{2^3}{2^5} = 2^{3-5} = 2^{-2} = \frac{1}{2^2} = \frac{1}{4}$			

## Lesson 2:

# Scientific Notation

Step 1: Put the decimal after the first significant digit.

Step 2: Indicate how many places the decimal moved by the power of 10.

- A positive power of 10 indicates the decimal moved to the left.

$$300,000,000 \text{ m/s} = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$$



## Numbers into Scientific Notation

0.0043

The Number is a decimal less than 1, so the Exponent will be Negative.

= 0.0043  
3 places

Move the Decimal point to the RIGHT to create a number between 1 and 10.

= 0004.3

Remove Zeroes that are not needed.

= 4.3 × 10<sup>-3</sup> ✓

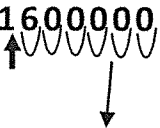
We moved 3 places so Power of 10 is three : 10<sup>-3</sup>

$$\begin{array}{c} \boxed{4.67} \\ \uparrow \\ \text{One digit before} \\ \text{the decimal point.} \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} 10^4 \\ \uparrow \\ \text{This means four 10s} \\ \text{all multiplied together, or} \\ \text{1 followed by 4 zeroes.} \end{array}$$

Such a number is multiplied by a power of 10.

## Standard and Scientific Notation

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Standard Form} & & \text{Scientific Notation Form} \\ \hline 1,600,000 & = & 1.6 \times 10^6 \end{array}$$

1. **1,600,000** Find where the original decimal point is  
(If there isn't a decimal point, then it automatically goes to the far right of the number)
2. **16000000** Move the decimal point to the right of the first non-zero number  

3.  **$1.6 \times 10^6$**  Now rewrite the new number 1.6 times a power of 10

- The number of times you move decimal point (6 waves) will be the exponent value <sup>6</sup>

### Scientific Notation Form                      Standard Form(Decimal)

$$3.54 \times 10^{-9} = 0.0000000354$$

1.  **$3.54 \times 10^{-9}$** 
  - Notice the exponent number is how many places you will move the decimal

2. **0.000000003.54**  


Move decimal left if exponent is Negative

Move decimal right if exponent is Positive

3. **0.0000000354**

Now the number is in Standard (Decimal) Form

### \*Important to Note:

1. The number of places you must move the decimal point is the exponent you will use.
2. If number is fractional (less than 1 or greater than -1) then a negative exponent will be used.
3. If number is greater than 1 or smaller than -1, a positive exponent will be used.
4. If original number is positive keep it positive:  $0.0012 = 1.2 \times 10^{-3}$
5. If original number is negative keep it negative:  $-0.00039 = -3.9 \times 10^{-4}$

# Lesson 1.4 Scientific Notation

**Scientific notation** is most often used as a concise way of writing very large and very small numbers. It is written as a number between 1 and 10 multiplied by a power of 10. Any number can be expressed in scientific notation.

$$1,503 = 1.503 \times 10^3$$

+3

$$0.0376 = 3.76 \times 10^{-2}$$

-2

$$85 = 8.5 \times 10^1$$

+1

Translate numbers written in scientific notation into standard form by reading the exponent.

$$7.03 \times 10^5 = 703000$$

Move the decimal right 5 places.

$$5.4 \times 10^{-4} = 0.00054$$

Move the decimal left 4 places.

Write each number in scientific notation.

a

1.  $0.013 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

b

4105 = \_\_\_\_\_

c

27.3 = \_\_\_\_\_

2.  $810.4 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

0.684 = \_\_\_\_\_

0.017 = \_\_\_\_\_

3.  $0.0006 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

427.5 = \_\_\_\_\_

36,054 = \_\_\_\_\_

4.  $50,210 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

0.0005 = \_\_\_\_\_

256.21 = \_\_\_\_\_

5.  $36.25 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

0.892 = \_\_\_\_\_

0.00065 = \_\_\_\_\_

6.  $0.027 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

1,416.3 = \_\_\_\_\_

0.0049 = \_\_\_\_\_

Write each number in standard form.

7.  $2.6 \times 10^{-3} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$8.46 \times 10^5 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$4.65 \times 10^{-1} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

8.  $9.02 \times 10^4 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$5.15 \times 10^{-2} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$8.45 \times 10^3 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

9.  $7.25 \times 10^{-4} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$1.06 \times 10^3 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$9.06 \times 10^{-5} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

10.  $9.7 \times 10^{-3} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$3.02 \times 10^4 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$1.56 \times 10^4 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

# Star voyage — scientific notation

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



## Problems

1. Write the following numbers in scientific notation.

**Standard Notation**

**Scientific Notation**

a. 93 000 000

\_\_\_\_\_

b. 384 000 000 000

\_\_\_\_\_

c. 0.00000000000234

\_\_\_\_\_

d. 0.0000000157

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Using the TI-30XS MultiView™ calculator, change the following numbers into scientific notation using SCI mode.

**Standard Notation**

**Scientific Notation**

a. 12 000 000

\_\_\_\_\_

b. 974 000 000

\_\_\_\_\_

c. 0.0000034

\_\_\_\_\_

d. 0.00000004

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Using the TI-30XS MultiView calculator, change the following numbers into standard decimal notation using NORM mode.

**Scientific Notation**

**Standard Notation**

a.  $5.8 \times 10^7$

\_\_\_\_\_

b.  $7.32 \times 10^5$

\_\_\_\_\_

c.  $6.2 \times 10^{-6}$

\_\_\_\_\_

d.  $3 \times 10^{-8}$

\_\_\_\_\_



# Star voyage — scientific notation

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



## Problem

You are a captain of a starship in the distant future. You have been assigned to go to Alpha Centauri and you have 5 years to get there. The distance from our sun to Alpha Centauri is  $2.5 \times 10^{13}$  miles. The distance from the earth to our sun is approximately  $9.3 \times 10^7$  miles.

Although we have not yet discovered how to travel at the speed of light, you live in a time where your ship can travel at the speed of light.

Light travels the approximate distance of  $6 \times 10^{12}$  miles in 1 light year. You will take a path from earth by our sun and then on to Alpha Centauri. Will you be able to get to Alpha Centauri on time?

## Procedure

- Using the TI-30XS MultiView™ calculator, find the total distance that you need to travel. For this rough estimate, assume that you are measuring the distance as a straight line from the earth to our sun and then on to Alpha Centauri.

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**Hint:** Make sure your calculator is in scientific notation mode before you begin the calculation.

Next, find out how long it will take you to travel the distance.

(Distance traveled  $\div$  1 light year)

**Hint:** Make sure you use parentheses if needed in order to get the correct result for this division problem.

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\_\_\_\_\_

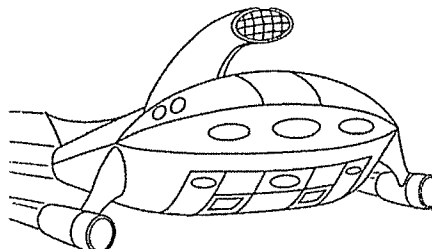
- Can you make the trip in the allotted time of 5 years?
- \_\_\_\_\_

## Extension

Now that you have been successful, you have been asked to make another trip. The distance from the Sun to Delta Centauri is  $9 \times 10^{13}$  miles. How long will it take you to get there from Earth?

**Hint:** The Earth is approximately  $9.3 \times 10^7$  miles from the Sun.

Your trip on this starship is fictitious. If you are interested in finding out more about the nearest star and cosmic distances, visit NASA web sites on the Internet.





## Difference between Rational and Irrational Number

### Difference between Rational and Irrational Number

Rational numbers are numbers that can be expressed as a ratio of two integers. They can be in fraction, decimal or whole number form.

Example of rational number :-  $1/2$ ,  $3/4$ ,  $-7/2$ ,  $8/1$ .

On the other side, irrational numbers are those numbers that cannot be expressed as a ratio of two integers.

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## Difference between Rational and Irrational Number

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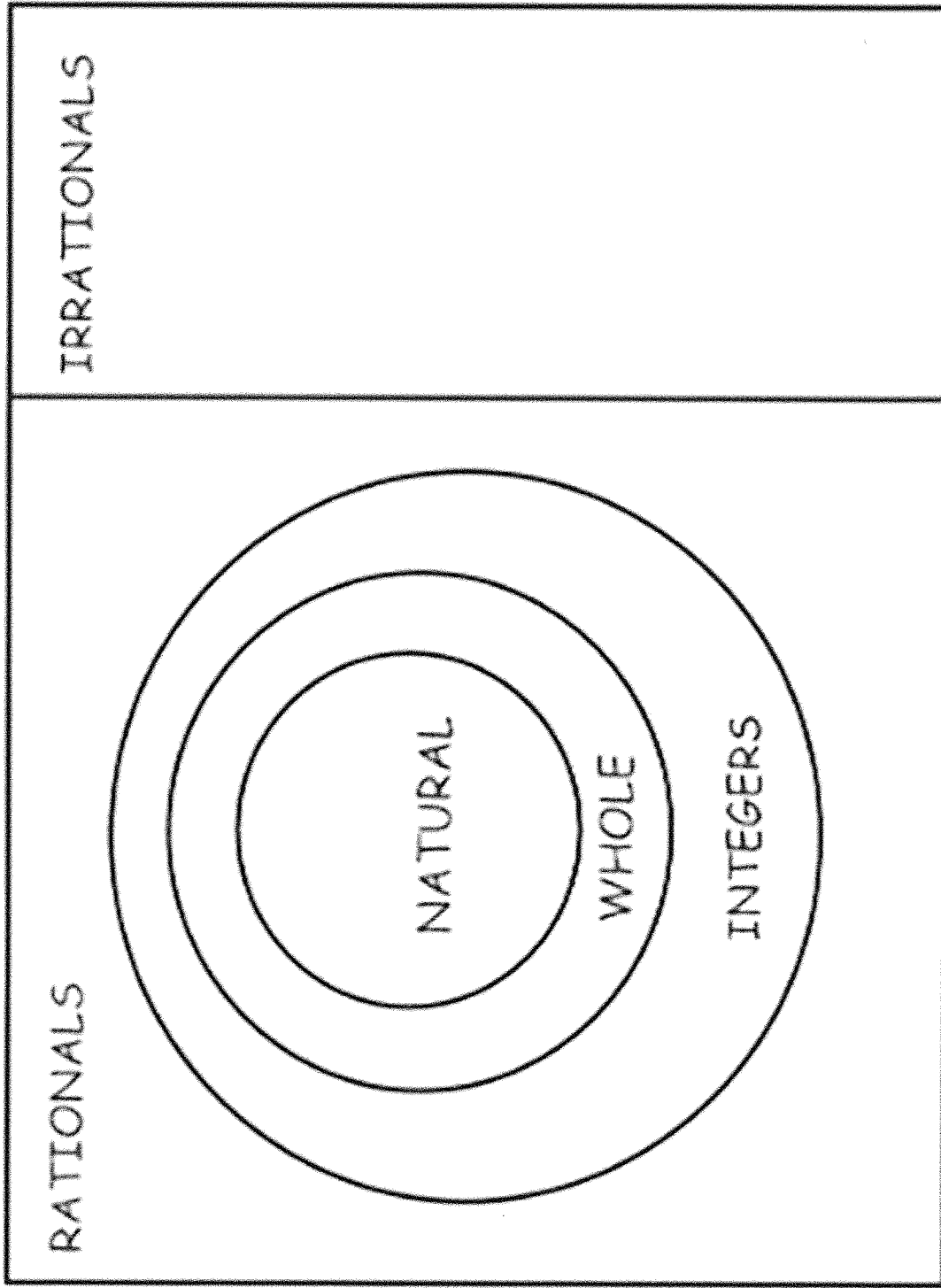
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(1) Rational numbers are all positive and negative fraction, including integer and improper fraction.

An irrational number is a real number that cannot be written as a simple fraction.

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# Real Number System



## Lesson 2.1 Understanding Rational and Irrational Numbers

A **rational number** is a number that either terminates or repeats a pattern. It can be written as a fraction,  $\frac{a}{b}$ , where  $a$  and  $b$  are both whole number integers and  $b$  does not equal zero.

Here are some examples of rational numbers: 3, -5,  $\frac{1}{3}$ ,  $4.\overline{66}$ ,  $\frac{5}{11}$ , 3.25

An **irrational number** is any decimal that does not terminate and never repeats. These numbers are often represented by symbols.

Here are some examples of irrational numbers: 5.23143...,  $\sqrt{5}$ ,  $\pi$

Tell if each number is *rational* or *irrational*.

	a	b	c
1.	$\frac{1}{5}$	$\sqrt{5}$	-5
	_____	_____	_____
2.	$\sqrt[3]{27}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	2.354
	_____	_____	_____
3.	$\sqrt{36}$	$3.\overline{45}$	$\frac{7}{9}$
	_____	_____	_____
4.	$\sqrt{20}$	19.294153	$-\frac{4}{5}$
	_____	_____	_____
5.	$\sqrt{15}$	$\pi$	$-\frac{7}{10}$
	_____	_____	_____

**Check What You Know****Rational and Irrational Numbers**

Evaluate each expression.

a

b

c

1.  $\sqrt{25} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$\sqrt{9} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$\sqrt{100} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

2.  $\sqrt{\frac{4}{16}} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$\sqrt{81} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

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

Approximate the value of each expression.

3. The value of  $\sqrt{10}$  is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

4. The value of  $\sqrt[3]{74}$  is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Use roots or exponents to solve each equation. Write fractions in simplest form.

a

b

c

5.  $x^2 = 64$

$\sqrt{x} = 9$

$x^3 = 343$

$x =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$x =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$x =$  \_\_\_\_\_

Compare using  $<$ ,  $>$ , or  $=$ .

6.  $\sqrt{\frac{4}{9}}$  \_\_\_\_\_  $\frac{2}{3}$

$\sqrt{10}$  \_\_\_\_\_ 5

$\sqrt[3]{25}$  \_\_\_\_\_ 3

Put the values below in order from least to greatest along the number line.

7. 14,  $\sqrt{18}$ ,  $4\pi$



**Check What You Know****Rational and Irrational Numbers**

Solve each equation.

**a****b****c**

1.  $9 + d = 16$  \_\_\_\_\_  $y + 3 = 9$  \_\_\_\_\_  $12 + a = 27$  \_\_\_\_\_

2.  $18 - b = 4$  \_\_\_\_\_  $23 - c = 21$  \_\_\_\_\_  $w - 11 = 11$  \_\_\_\_\_

3.  $n + 8 = 41$  \_\_\_\_\_  $7 + m = 20$  \_\_\_\_\_  $9 + s = 9$  \_\_\_\_\_

4.  $t + 18 = 5$  \_\_\_\_\_  $36 - a = 36$  \_\_\_\_\_  $15 - b = 0$  \_\_\_\_\_

Solve the following equations. Write each answer in simplest form.

5.  $m + 3.4 = 7.9$  \_\_\_\_\_  $n - 6.3 = 9$  \_\_\_\_\_  $p - (-\frac{6}{7}) = \frac{13}{14}$  \_\_\_\_\_

6.  $8t = \frac{1}{9}$  \_\_\_\_\_  $s \times \frac{3}{4} = -20$  \_\_\_\_\_  $-10.5r = -31.5$  \_\_\_\_\_

Solve each problem.

7. Ella has gold, silver, and copper wire for stringing beads. She has
- $1\frac{1}{2}$
- ft. of gold wire,
- $2\frac{1}{3}$
- ft. of silver wire, and
- $3\frac{3}{4}$
- ft. of copper wire. How much wire does she have altogether?

She has \_\_\_\_\_ ft. of wire.

8. Green Valley Middle School wants to raise \$7,500 for new equipment. If grades 6 and 7 each raise \$2,450.25, how much money does grade 8 need to raise?

Grade 8 needs to raise \_\_\_\_\_.

## Lesson 4.3 Understanding Rational and Irrational Numbers

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Tell if each number is *rational* or *irrational*.

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2.	$\sqrt[3]{27}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	2.354
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	_____	_____	_____
5.	$\sqrt{15}$	$\pi$	$-\frac{7}{10}$
	_____	_____	_____

## Lesson 4.5 Comparing Rational and Irrational Numbers

Compare rational and irrational numbers by using a best guess for irrational numbers.

$\sqrt{3} < 2$  This statement is true because  $\sqrt{3}$  is between 1 and 2.

$5 > \sqrt{20}$  This statement is true because  $\sqrt{20}$  is between 4 and 5.

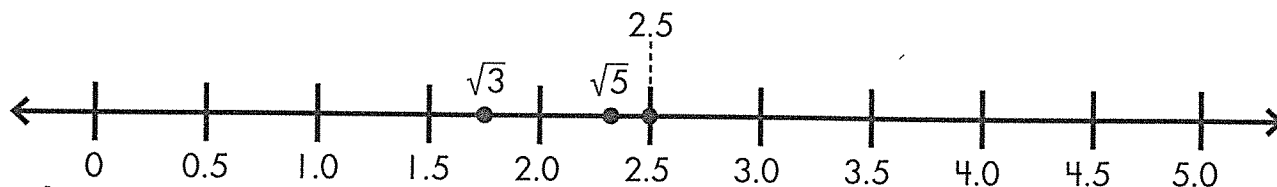
Approximate the value of an irrational number by exploring values.

The value of  $\sqrt{2}$  is between 1 and 2. Look at the squares of 1.4 and 1.5.

$$1.4^2 = 1.96 \quad 1.5^2 = 2.25$$

By looking at these squares, it is evident that  $\sqrt{2}$  is between 1.4 and 1.5.

Rational and irrational numbers can be compared by approximating their value and placing them along a number line, such as the numbers  $\sqrt{5}$ , 2.5,  $\sqrt{3}$



Compare using  $<$ ,  $>$ , or  $=$ .

1.  $\sqrt{9}$  \_\_\_\_\_  $\pi$       a

4.5 \_\_\_\_\_  $\sqrt{25}$       b

3.9 \_\_\_\_\_  $\sqrt{10}$       c

2.  $\sqrt{2}$  \_\_\_\_\_ 1

$\sqrt[3]{\frac{8}{27}}$  \_\_\_\_\_  $\frac{2}{3}$

1.1 \_\_\_\_\_  $\sqrt{2}$

Approximate the value of each root to the tenths place.

3. The value of  $\sqrt{7}$  is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

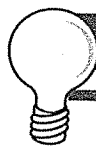
4. The value of  $\sqrt{10}$  is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Put the values below in order from least to greatest along a number line.

5.  $\pi^2$ , 10,  $\sqrt{75}$





**Check What You Learned****Rational and Irrational Numbers**Tell if each number is *rational* or *irrational*.

a

b

c

1.  $\frac{7}{4}$  \_\_\_\_\_

$\pi$  \_\_\_\_\_

$\sqrt{99}$  \_\_\_\_\_

2. 3.635 \_\_\_\_\_

$\sqrt{77}$  \_\_\_\_\_

$\sqrt{255}$  \_\_\_\_\_

3. 5.6 \_\_\_\_\_

$\frac{1}{9}$  \_\_\_\_\_

2.756 \_\_\_\_\_

Compare the values using  $<$ ,  $>$ , or  $=$ .

4.  $\sqrt{36}$  \_\_\_\_\_ 6.5

1.4 \_\_\_\_\_  $\sqrt{2}$

$\frac{1}{2}$  \_\_\_\_\_ 0.55

5. 3.9 \_\_\_\_\_  $\sqrt{10}$

$\sqrt{5}$  \_\_\_\_\_ 4

$\sqrt{8}$  \_\_\_\_\_ 3

6. 1 \_\_\_\_\_  $\frac{\sqrt{16}}{25}$

$\sqrt[3]{343}$  \_\_\_\_\_ 7.2

$\sqrt[3]{6}$  \_\_\_\_\_ 2

Approximate the value to the hundredths place.

7. The value of  $\sqrt{5}$  is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

8. The value of  $\sqrt{13}$  is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Create a number line to show each set of values in order from least to greatest.

9.  $\pi, \sqrt{10}, -3, \frac{7}{4}$



Lesson 4 :

**Chart of Perfect Squares 1 to 30**

$1^2 = 1$	$11^2 = 121$	$21^2 = 441$
$2^2 = 4$	$12^2 = 144$	$22^2 = 484$
$3^2 = 9$	$13^2 = 169$	$23^2 = 529$
$4^2 = 16$	$14^2 = 196$	$24^2 = 576$
$5^2 = 25$	$15^2 = 225$	$25^2 = 625$
$6^2 = 36$	$16^2 = 256$	$26^2 = 676$
$7^2 = 49$	$17^2 = 289$	$27^2 = 729$
$8^2 = 64$	$18^2 = 324$	$28^2 = 784$
$9^2 = 81$	$19^2 = 361$	$29^2 = 841$
$10^2 = 100$	$20^2 = 400$	$30^2 = 900$

**Cube Roots 1 to 10**

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt[3]{0} &= 0 & \sqrt[3]{64} &= 4 & \sqrt[3]{512} &= 8 \\ \sqrt[3]{1} &= 1 & \sqrt[3]{125} &= 5 & \sqrt[3]{729} &= 9 \\ \sqrt[3]{8} &= 2 & \sqrt[3]{216} &= 6 & \sqrt[3]{1000} &= 10 \\ \sqrt[3]{27} &= 3 & \sqrt[3]{343} &= 7 & & \end{aligned}$$

## Square and Square Root Table

Square	Square Root	Square	Square Root
$1^2 = 1$	$\sqrt{1} = 1$	$16^2 = 256$	$\sqrt{256} = 16$
$2^2 = 4$	$\sqrt{4} = 2$	$17^2 = 289$	$\sqrt{289} = 17$
$3^2 = 9$	$\sqrt{9} = 3$	$18^2 = 324$	$\sqrt{324} = 18$
$4^2 = 16$	$\sqrt{16} = 4$	$19^2 = 361$	$\sqrt{361} = 19$
$5^2 = 25$	$\sqrt{25} = 5$	$20^2 = 400$	$\sqrt{400} = 20$
$6^2 = 36$	$\sqrt{36} = 6$	$21^2 = 441$	$\sqrt{441} = 21$
$7^2 = 49$	$\sqrt{49} = 7$	$22^2 = 484$	$\sqrt{484} = 22$
$8^2 = 64$	$\sqrt{64} = 8$	$23^2 = 529$	$\sqrt{529} = 23$
$9^2 = 81$	$\sqrt{81} = 9$	$24^2 = 576$	$\sqrt{576} = 24$
$10^2 = 100$	$\sqrt{100} = 10$	$25^2 = 625$	$\sqrt{625} = 25$
$11^2 = 121$	$\sqrt{121} = 11$	$26^2 = 676$	$\sqrt{676} = 26$
$12^2 = 144$	$\sqrt{144} = 12$	$27^2 = 729$	$\sqrt{729} = 27$
$13^2 = 169$	$\sqrt{169} = 13$	$28^2 = 784$	$\sqrt{784} = 28$
$14^2 = 196$	$\sqrt{196} = 14$	$29^2 = 841$	$\sqrt{841} = 29$
$15^2 = 225$	$\sqrt{225} = 15$	$30^2 = 900$	$\sqrt{900} = 30$

# LESSON 11.2

## Approximating Square Roots

### BEFORE

You found square roots of perfect squares.

### Now

You'll approximate square roots of numbers.

### WHY?

So you can find the falling speed of a skydiver, as in Ex. 22.

### Word Watch

irrational number, p. 541  
real number, p. 541

### In the Real World

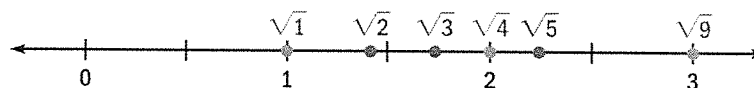
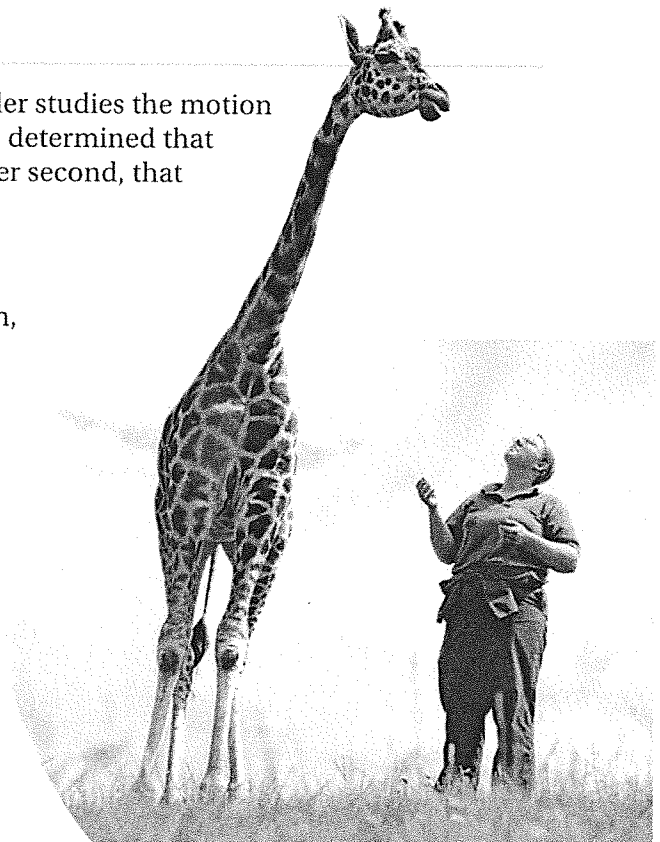
**Animals** Dr. R. McNeill Alexander studies the motion of animals. From his studies, he determined that the maximum speed  $s$ , in feet per second, that an animal can walk is

$$s = 5.66\sqrt{l}$$

where  $l$  is the animal's leg length, in feet. What is the maximum walking speed for a giraffe with a leg length of 11 feet? You'll find the answer in Example 3.

### Evaluating Square Roots

You know how to evaluate square roots like  $\sqrt{1}$ ,  $\sqrt{4}$ , and  $\sqrt{9}$  because 1, 4, and 9 are perfect squares. But what about square roots like  $\sqrt{2}$ ,  $\sqrt{3}$ , and  $\sqrt{5}$ ? The values of these square roots fall between whole numbers, as shown on the number line below.



### EXAMPLE 1 Approximating to a Whole Number

**Approximate  $\sqrt{11}$  to the nearest whole number.**

Make a list of whole numbers that are perfect squares: 0, 1, 4, 9, 16, . . . .

$9 < 11 < 16$  Identify perfect squares closest to 11.

$\sqrt{9} < \sqrt{11} < \sqrt{16}$  Take positive square root of each number.

$3 < \sqrt{11} < 4$  Evaluate square roots.

**ANSWER** Because 11 is closer to 9 than to 16,  $\sqrt{11}$  is closer to  $\sqrt{9} = 3$ . So, to the nearest whole number,  $\sqrt{11} \approx 3$ .



## with Solving

Once you find the approximation of a square root to the tenths' place, you can use the same method to find the approximation to the hundredths' place, thousandths' place, and so on.

**EXAMPLE 2****Approximating to the Nearest Tenth**

**Approximate  $\sqrt{11}$  to the nearest tenth.**

You know from Example 1 that  $\sqrt{11}$  is between 3 and 4. Make a list of squares of 3.1, 3.2, ..., 3.9. From the list, you can see that 11 is between  $3.3^2$  and  $3.4^2$ . So,  $\sqrt{11}$  is between 3.3 and 3.4.

**ANSWER** Because 11 is closer to 10.89 than to 11.56,  $\sqrt{11}$  is closer to  $\sqrt{10.89} = 3.3$ . So, to the nearest tenth,  $\sqrt{11} \approx 3.3$ .

$3.1^2 = 9.61$
$3.2^2 = 10.24$
$3.3^2 = 10.89$
$3.4^2 = 11.56$
$3.5^2 = 12.25$

**Your turn now**

**Approximate the square root to the nearest whole number and then to the nearest tenth.**

1.  $\sqrt{10}$

2.  $\sqrt{22}$

3.  $\sqrt{45}$

4.  $\sqrt{115}$

**EXAMPLE 3****Using Square Roots**

You can use the approximation of  $\sqrt{11}$  from Example 2 to estimate the maximum walking speed of the giraffe described on the previous page.

$$s = 5.66\sqrt{l}$$

Write maximum walking speed formula.

$$= 5.66\sqrt{11}$$

Substitute 11 for  $l$ .

$$\approx 5.66(3.3)$$

Use approximation of  $\sqrt{11}$  to the nearest tenth.

$$\approx 19$$

Multiply.

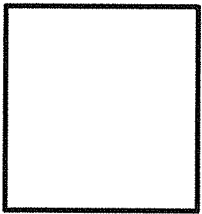
**ANSWER** The maximum walking speed is about 19 feet per second.

# Square Roots

Root	# of Squares	Root	# of Squares

**VOCAB:**  
Square Root

Radical

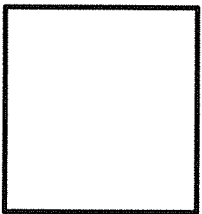


# Square Roots

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Radical



## Lesson 4.4 Square and Cube Roots

The **square** of a number is that number times itself. A square is expressed as, for example,  $6^2$ , which means  $6 \times 6$ , or 6 squared. The **square root** of a number is the value that, multiplied by itself, equals that number. The square root of 36 is 6. This is expressed as  $\sqrt{36} = 6$ .

Not all square roots of numbers are whole numbers, like 6. Numbers that have a whole number as their square root are called **perfect squares**.

The **cube root** of 27 is 3:  $\sqrt[3]{27} = 3$ , because  $3 \times 3 \times 3 = 27$ . Numbers that have a whole number cube root are called **perfect cubes**.

The square root or cube root of any number that is not a perfect square is called a **radical number**. The symbols  $\sqrt{\quad}$  and  $\sqrt[3]{\quad}$  are called **radical signs**. When a number is not a perfect square, you can estimate its square root by determining which perfect squares it comes between.  $\sqrt{50}$  is a little more than 7, because  $\sqrt{49}$  is exactly 7.  $\sqrt{60}$  is between 7 and 8 but is closer to 8, because 60 is closer to 64 than to 49. The same strategy can be used for cube roots.

A table of squares and square roots appears at the back of this book. Use the table to identify the square root of these perfect squares.

- |    | a                                      | b                                      | c                                      |
|----|--|--|--|
| 1. | $\sqrt{9} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  | $\sqrt{81} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ | $\sqrt{36} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ |
| 2. | $\sqrt{25} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ | $\sqrt{4} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  | $\sqrt{64} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ |

Estimate the following square roots without looking at the table at the back of the book.

3.  $\sqrt{80}$  is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ but closer to \_\_\_\_\_.

4.  $\sqrt{27}$  is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ but closer to \_\_\_\_\_.

Identify the cube root.

5.  $\sqrt[3]{8,000} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$        $\sqrt[3]{125} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$        $\sqrt[3]{343} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

6.  $\sqrt[3]{8} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$        $\sqrt[3]{64} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$        $\sqrt[3]{1,000} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

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The expression of a square root is called a **radical**. The symbol  $\sqrt{\quad}$  is called a **radical sign**. When a number is not a perfect square, you can estimate its square root by determining which perfect squares it comes between.

$\sqrt{50}$  is a little more than 7, because  $\sqrt{49}$  is exactly 7.  $\sqrt{60}$  is between 7 and 8 but closer to 8, because 60 is closer to 64 than to 49.

Identify the square root of these perfect squares.

a

1.  $\sqrt{16} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

b

$\sqrt{64} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

c

$\sqrt{25} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

2.  $\sqrt{100} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$\sqrt{1} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$\sqrt{9} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

3.  $\sqrt{36} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$\sqrt{81} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$\sqrt{4} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

Estimate the following square roots.

4.  $\sqrt{85}$  is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ but closer to \_\_\_\_\_.

5.  $\sqrt{20}$  is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ but closer to \_\_\_\_\_.

6.  $\sqrt{35}$  is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ but closer to \_\_\_\_\_.

7.  $\sqrt{70}$  is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ but closer to \_\_\_\_\_.

8.  $\sqrt{45}$  is between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ but closer to \_\_\_\_\_.



## Lesson 2.4 Using Roots to Solve Equations

Equations with exponential variables can be solved using the inverse operation. In this case, using roots will help to solve the problem.

$$x^2 = 121$$

**Step 1:** Evaluate the problem to find out which root to use. In this case, the exponent is 2, so you would use the square root as the inverse operation.

$$\sqrt{x^2} = \sqrt{121}$$

**Step 2:** Find the root of both sides of the equation.

$$x = 11$$

**Step 3:** Solve the problem.

Solve each problem by using roots. Show your work and write fractions in simplest form.

a

1.  $x^2 = \frac{16}{169}$

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

b

$$729 = x^3$$

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

c

$$x^2 = \frac{8}{125}$$

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

2.  $25 = x^2$

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

$$x^2 = \frac{25}{64}$$

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

$$x^3 = 512$$

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

3.  $\frac{9}{36} = x^2$

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

$$x^3 = 512$$

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

$$x^2 + 2 = 38$$

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

4.  $68 - 4 = x^3$

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

$$x^2 - 5 = 44$$

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

$$x^3 + 4 = 5$$

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



## Lesson 2.4 Using Roots to Solve Equations

Equations with exponential variables can be solved using the inverse operation. In this case, using exponents will help to solve the problem.

$$\sqrt{x} = 6$$

**Step 1:** Evaluate the problem to decide which exponent to use. In this case, since we are solving for the square root, the appropriate exponent to use will be 2 (or square).

$$(\sqrt{x})^2 = 6^2$$

**Step 2:** Square both sides of the equation.

$$x = 36$$

**Step 3:** Solve the problem.

Solve each problem by using roots. Show your work and write fractions in simplest form.

a

1.  $\sqrt{x} = 25$

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

b

$$5 = \sqrt{x}$$

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

c

$$\sqrt[3]{x} = 6$$

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

2.  $\sqrt{x-4} = 4$

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

$$\sqrt[3]{x} = 19$$

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

$$7 = \sqrt{x}$$

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

3.  $\sqrt[3]{78-x} = 4$

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

$$18 = \sqrt{x}$$

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

$$6 = \sqrt{42-x}$$

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

4.  $8 = \sqrt[3]{x-6}$

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

$$\sqrt{x} = 14$$

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

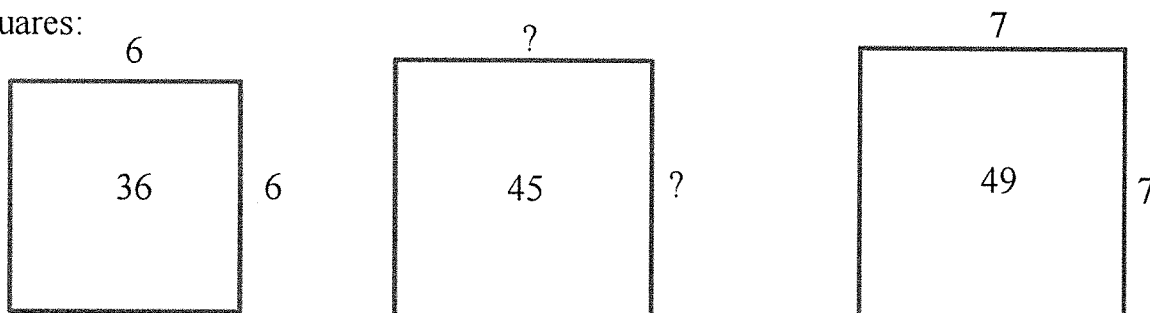
$$7 = \sqrt[3]{x}$$

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

**\* Edges Of Squares And Cubes**

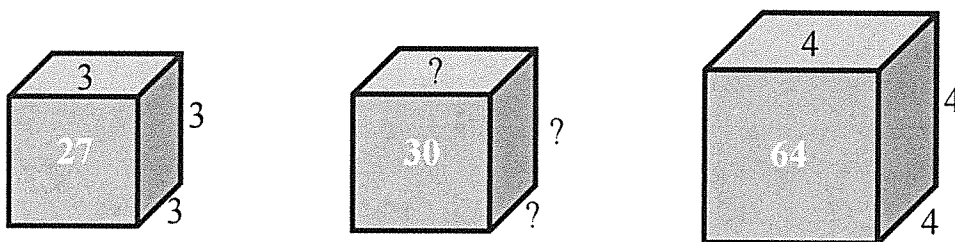
The area of each of the squares below is shown in the center of each square. The lengths of the sides of the first and last square are also given. Your task is to work with your partner, using a calculator, to find the length of the sides of the square in the center. You are not to use the square root key, but to estimate what you think the length of the side would be and test it by squaring it. Continue to estimate until you have found a value to the hundredths place that gets as close to 45 as possible.

Squares:



The volume of each of the cubes below is shown in the center of each cube. The lengths of the edges of the first and last cubes are also given. Your task is to work with your partner, using a calculator, to find the length of the edges of the cube in the center. You are not to use the cube root key, but to estimate what you think the length of the edge would be and test it by cubing it. Continue to estimate until you have found a value to the hundredths place that gets as close to 30 as possible.

Cubes:



Solutions will satisfy these equations:

$\square \times \square = 45$       or       $\square^2 = 45$   
 and  
 $\square \times \square \times \square = 30$       or       $\square^3 = 30$

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Reflection:

1. How did you decide what the whole number part of your estimate should be for the square?

What do you think you could do to get a side length of the square that would produce a more accurate area?

Is it possible to find a side length that would be perfect for a square with an area of 45 square units? Explain your reasoning.

2. How did you decide what the whole number part of your estimate should be for the cube?

What do you think you could do to get an edge length for the cube that would produce a more accurate volume?

Is it possible to find an edge length that would be perfect for a cube with a volume of 30 cubic units? Explain your reasoning.