

1. $(x^2y^{-1}) \div (x^{1/2}y^{-1})^2 =$
(83) A. xy B. xy^{-1} C. xy^{-3} D. $x^2y^{1/2}$ E. $x^{-1/2}y^{-2}$
2. If a and b are positive numbers, which of the following (83) is/are true?
(1) $\log_{10}(a+b) = \log_{10}a + \log_{10}b$
(2) $\log_{10}(a/b) = \log_{10}a - \log_{10}b$
(3) $\frac{\log_{10}a}{\log_{10}b} = \frac{a}{b}$
A. (1) only B. (2) only C. (3) only
D. (1) and (2) only E. (1), (2) and (3)
3. $(2^{n+1})^2 \times (2^{-2n-1}) \div 4^n =$
(84) A. 1 B. 2^{2n-1} C. 2^{n+2n} D. $2^n - 2^n$ E. 2^{-2n+1}
4. If $(\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})x = 1$, then (84) A. $\frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}$ B. 1 C. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}$ D. $\frac{1}{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}$ E. $\frac{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}$
5. $\log_{10}(a^2 - b^2) =$
(85) A. $\log_{10}a / \log_{10}b$ B. $2 \log_{10}(a-b)$ C. $2 \log_{10}a - 2 \log_{10}b$
D. $\log_{10}(a+b) + \log_{10}(a-b)$ E. $(\log_{10}a + \log_{10}b)(\log_{10}a - \log_{10}b)$
6. If $(10^x)^y = (2^y)(5^z)$, then which of the following (86) must be true?
A. $xy = z$ B. $xy = 2z$ C. $xy = z^2$ D. $x^y = z$ E. $x^y = 2z$
7. $\left(\sqrt{\frac{x}{y}} + \sqrt{\frac{y}{x}}\right)^2 =$
(86) A. $\frac{(x+y)^2}{xy}$ B. $\frac{x^2+y^2}{xy}$ C. $\frac{x+y+2}{xy}$ D. $\frac{x+y}{xy}$ E. 1
8. If $\log x^2 + \log y^2 = \log z^2$, where x , y and z are positive (86) numbers, which of the following must be true?
(1) $x^2 + y^2 = z^2$ (2) $\log x + \log y = \log z$ (3) $x^2y^2 = z^2$
A. (1) only B. (2) only C. (3) only
D. (1) and (2) only E. (2) and (3) only
9. If $x + 1/x = 1 + \sqrt{2}$, then $x^2 + 1/x^2 =$
(87) A. 1 B. 3 C. $1 + 2\sqrt{2}$ D. $2 + 2\sqrt{2}$ E. $3 + 2\sqrt{3}$
10. If $3^{2k+1} = 3^{2k} + 6$, then $k =$
(87) A. $-1/4$ B. $-1/2$ C. $1/4$ D. $1/2$ E. 3
11. If $\log_{10}x$, $\log_{10}y$, $\log_{10}z$ are in A.P., then (87) A. $y = 10^{(x+z)/2}$ B. $y = (x+z)/2$ C. $y^2 = x+z$
D. $y^2 = xz$ E. $y = 10^{x^k}$

12. Solve the inequality $x \log_{10} 0.1 > \log_{10} 10$
 (87) A. $x > -1$ B. $x > 1$ C. $x > 100$ D. $x < 1$ E. $x < -1$
13. Let n be a positive integer. Which of the following numbers
 (87) is/are odd?
 (1) 2^{2n+1} (2) $2^n + 1$ (3) $3(2^n)$
 A. (1) only B. (2) only C. (3) only
 D. (2) and (3) only E. (1), (2) and (3)
14. Simplify $\frac{2^{n+4} - 2(2^n)}{2(2^{n+3})}$
 (88) A. $7/8$ B. $7/4$ C. $1 - 2^{n+1}$ D. $2^{n+1} - 1/8$ E. 2^{n+1}
15. If $\log a > 0$ and $\log b < 0$, which of the following is/are
 (88) true?
 (1) $\log(a/b) > 0$ (2) $\log b^2 > 0$ (3) $\log(1/a) > 0$
 A. (1) only B. (2) only C. (3) only
 D. (1) and (2) only E. (2) and (3) only

ANSWERS

1.A 2.B 3.E 4.A 5.D 6.A 7.A 8.E 9.C 10.D
 11.D 12.E 13.B 14.A 15.A

Indices, Logarithms and Surds

1. $(x^2y^{-1}) \div (x^{\frac{1}{2}}y^{-1})^2$
 $= \frac{x^2}{y} \div \left(\frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{y}\right)^2$
 $= \frac{x^2}{y} \cdot \frac{y^2}{x}$
 $= x \cdot y \quad (A.)$

2. $a, b > 0.$

$\log_{10} a + \log_{10} b = \log_{10}(a \cdot b)$
 $\neq \log_{10}(a+b).$

2). $\log_{10}\left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = \log_{10} a - \log_{10} b.$

? $\frac{\log_{10} a}{\log_{10} b} \neq \frac{a}{b}$
 (2) only (B.)

3. $(2^{n+1})^2 \times (2^{-2n-1}) \div 4^n$

$= \frac{2^{2n+2} \cdot 2^{-2n-1}}{4^n}$
 $= \frac{2}{2^{2n}}$
 $= 2^{-2n+1} \quad (E.)$

4. $(\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})x = 1$

$x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}}$
 $= \frac{1}{\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}$
 $= \frac{\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2}}{3 - 2}$
 $= \sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2} \quad (A.)$

5. $\log_{10}(a^2 - b^2)$

$= \log_{10}[(a-b)(a+b)]$
 $= \log_{10}(a+b) + \log_{10}(a-b)$
 (D.)

6. $(10^x)^y = (2 \cdot 10^5)^z$

$10^{xy} = (2 \cdot 5)^z$
 $10^{xy} = 10^z$
 $\therefore x \cdot y = z \quad (A.)$

7. $\left(\sqrt{\frac{x}{y}} + \sqrt{\frac{y}{x}}\right)^2$

$= \frac{x}{y} + 2\sqrt{\frac{x}{y}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{y}{x}} + \frac{y}{x}$
 $= \frac{x}{y} + 2 + \frac{y}{x}$
 $= \frac{x^2 + 2xy + y^2}{xy}$
 $= \frac{(x+y)^2}{x \cdot y} \quad (A.)$

8. $\log x^2 + \log y^2 = \log z^2$

$2 \log x + 2 \log y = 2 \log z$
 $\log x + \log y = \log z$

\therefore (2) is true.

$\log x^2 + \log y^2 = \log z^2$

$\log(x^2 \cdot y^2) = \log z^2$

$x^2 \cdot y^2 = z^2$

(3) is also true.

$\log x^2 + \log y^2 = \log z^2$

$\Rightarrow x^2 + y^2 = z^2$

\therefore (2) & (3) only (E.)

9. $x + \frac{1}{x} = 1 + \sqrt{2}$

$\therefore \left(x + \frac{1}{x}\right)^2 = (1 + \sqrt{2})^2$

$x^2 + 2x\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + \frac{1}{x^2} = 1 + 2\sqrt{2} + 2$

$x^2 + 2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 3 + 2\sqrt{2}$

$x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2} = 1 + 2\sqrt{2} \quad (C.)$

10. $3^{2k} = 3^{2n} + 6 \quad P-1$

$\therefore 3 \cdot 3^{2k} = 3^{2k} + 6$

$2 \cdot 3^{2k} = 6$

$3^{2k} = 3$

$\therefore 2k = 1$

$k = \frac{1}{2} \quad (D.)$

11. If $\log_{10} x, \log_{10} y, \log_{10} z$ in A.P.

$\log_{10} x + \log_{10} z = 2 \log_{10} y$

$\log_{10}(x \cdot z) = \log_{10} y^2$

$x \cdot z = y^2 \quad (D.)$

12. $x \log_{10} 0.1 > \log_{10} 10$

$x(-1) > 1$

$x < -1 \quad (E.)$

13. n be a positive integer.

(1) 2^{2n+1}

$2n+1 = \text{odd}$

But the base is 2.

$\therefore 2^{2n+1} = \underbrace{2 \cdot 2 \cdot \dots \cdot 2}_{2n+1 \text{ terms}}$

\therefore it is even.

(2) $2^n + 1$

Clearly, 2^n is even.

$\therefore 2^n + 1$ is odd.

(3) $3(2^n)$

2^n is even.

$\therefore 3 \cdot (2^n)$ is even.

(2) only (B)

$$14. \frac{2^{n+4} - 2(2^n)}{2(2^{n+3})}$$

$$= \frac{2^{n+4} - 2^{n+1}}{2^{n+4}}$$

$$= \frac{2^{n+1} [2^3 - 1]}{2^{n+4}}$$

$$= \frac{2^3 - 1}{2^3}$$

$$= \frac{7}{8} \text{ (A.)}$$

15. If $\log a > 0$,
 $\log b < 0$.

(1) $\log\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)$

$$= \log a - \log b$$

$$> 0 - \log b$$

$$> 0$$

(2) $\log b^2$

$$= 2 \log b$$

$$< 2(0)$$

$$= 0$$

(3) $\log\left(\frac{1}{a}\right)$

$$= -\log a$$

$$< 0$$

\therefore (1) is true only (A.)