

Logarithms:



$$y = \log_3 9$$

"Y" equals log base 3 of 9"

"What is the exponent Y if 3 is the base and 9 is the value?"

Logarithm

Exponential

$$2 = \log_{10} 100 \iff 100 = 10^2$$

Exponent

Base

$$4 = \log_3 81 \iff 81 = 3^4$$

$$1) 32 = 2^5 \Rightarrow 5 = \log_2 32$$

$$2) 5 = \log_3 243$$

$$3) 625 = 5^4 \Rightarrow 4 = \log_5 625$$

$$4) \log_3 9 = 2 \Rightarrow 3^2 = 9$$

$$5) \log_5 125 = 3 \Rightarrow 5^3 = 125$$

$$6) \log_8 512 = 3 \Rightarrow 512 = 8^3$$

Evaluating a Log Steps:

$$1) \log_8 32 = x$$

1) Write as a log function

$$8^x = 32$$

2) Rewrite as an exponential Function.

$$(2^3)^x = 2^5$$

$2^{3x} = 2^5$

→ 3) write each side using a common base

4) Drop the bases and set the exponents equal to each other.

$$\cancel{8^x} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$x = \frac{5}{3}$

$$\log_4 32 = x \quad 4^x = 32$$
$$(2^2)^x = 2^5$$
$$2^{2x} = 2^5$$
$$\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{5}{2}$$
$$x = 2\frac{1}{2} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\log_4 64 = x$$
$$4^x = 64$$
