

Expanding and Condensing Logarithms

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Condense each expression to a single logarithm.

1) $3 \log_9 2 - 2 \log_9 5$

2) $\log_6 x + \log_6 y + 6 \log_6 z$

3) $2 \log_5 x + 12 \log_5 y$

4) $\log_3 12 + \log_3 7 + 4 \log_3 5$

5) $\log_2 5 + \frac{\log_2 6}{2} + \frac{\log_2 11}{2}$

6) $3 \log_2 3 - 12 \log_2 7$

Expand each logarithm.

7) $\log_7 \frac{x^4}{y^2}$

8) $\log_7 \frac{2^3}{5^2}$

9) $\log_3 (z \sqrt[3]{x \cdot y})$

10) $\log_5 \frac{a^3}{b^3}$

11) $\log_6 (uv^3)^2$

12) $\log_4 (12 \cdot 7^2)^4$

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$$\textcircled{1} 3 \log_9 2 - 2 \log_9 5$$

$$\log_9 2^3 - \log_9 5^2 \quad (\text{Power Rule})$$

$$\boxed{\log_9 \left(\frac{2^3}{5^2} \right)}$$
$$\boxed{\log_9 \left(\frac{8}{25} \right)}$$

(Quotient Rule)

$$\textcircled{3} 2 \log_5 x + 12 \log_5 y$$

$$\log_5 x^2 + \log_5 y^{12} \quad (\text{Power Rule})$$

$$\boxed{\log_5 (x^2 y^{12})}$$

(Product Rule)

$$\textcircled{5} \log_2 5 + \frac{\log_2 6}{2} + \frac{\log_2 11}{2} = \log_2 5 + \frac{1}{2} \log_2 6 + \frac{1}{2} \log_2 11$$

$$= \log_2 5 + \log_2 6^{1/2} + \log_2 11^{1/2}$$

$$= \boxed{\log_2 5 \cdot 6^{1/2} \cdot 11^{1/2}} = \log_2 5 \sqrt{6} \sqrt{11} = \boxed{\log_2 5 \sqrt{66}}$$

$$\textcircled{7} \log_7 \frac{x^4}{y^2}$$

$$\log_7 x^4 - \log_7 y^2 \quad \text{(Quotient Law)}$$

$$\boxed{4 \log_7 x - 2 \log_7 y}$$

(Product Law)

$$\textcircled{9} \log_3 z \sqrt[3]{xy} = \log_3 z (xy)^{1/3} \quad \text{Def'n Radical}$$

$$= \log_3 z x^{1/3} y^{1/3} \quad \text{Exponent laws}$$

$$= \log_3 z + \log_3 x^{1/3} + \log_3 y^{1/3} \quad \text{(Product Law)}$$

$$= \boxed{\log_3 z + \frac{1}{3} \log_3 x + \frac{1}{3} \log_3 y}$$

$$\textcircled{11} \log_6 (uv^3)^2 = \log_6 (u^2 v^6) \quad \text{Exponent Law}$$

$$= \log_6 u^2 + \log_6 v^6 \quad \text{Product Rule}$$

$$= 2 \log_6 u + 6 \log_6 v \quad \text{Power Rule}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \log_6 x + \log_6 y + 6 \log_6 z \quad \boxed{\text{EVENS}}$$

$$\log_6 x + \log_6 y + \log_6 z^6 \quad (\text{Power Rule})$$

$$\boxed{\log_6 (xy z^6)} \quad (\text{Product Rule})$$

$$\textcircled{4} \log_3 12 + \log_3 7 + 4 \log_3 S$$

$$\log_3 12 + \log_3 7 + \log_3 S^4 \quad (\text{Power Rule})$$

$$\boxed{\log_3 (12 \cdot 7 \cdot S^4)} \quad (\text{Product Rule})$$

$$\boxed{\log_3 (84S^4)}$$

$$\textcircled{5} 3 \log_2 3 - 12 \log_2 7 \quad \text{Power Rule}$$

$$\log_2 3^3 - \log_2 7^{12}$$

$$\boxed{\log_2 \left(\frac{3^3}{7^{12}} \right)}$$

Quotient Rule

$$\log_2 \left(\frac{27}{7^{12}} \right)$$

$$\textcircled{8} \log_7 \left(\frac{2^3}{5^2} \right)$$

$$\log_7 2^3 - \log_7 5^2 \quad \text{(Quotient Law)}$$

$$\boxed{3 \log_7 2 - 2 \log_7 5} \quad \text{(Power Rule)}$$

$$\textcircled{10} \log_5 \left(\frac{9^3}{b^3} \right)$$

$$\log_5 9^3 - \log_5 b^3 \quad \text{(Quotient Law)}$$

$$\boxed{3 \log_5 9 - 3 \log_5 b} \quad \text{(Power Rule)}$$

$$\textcircled{12} \log_4 (12 \cdot 7^2)^4 = \log_4 (12^4 7^8) \quad \text{Exponent Laws}$$

$$= \log_4 12^4 + \log_4 7^8 \quad \text{(Product Rule)}$$

$$\boxed{4 \log_4 12 + 8 \log_4 7}$$

$$4 (\log_4 (4 \cdot 3)) + 8 \log_4 7$$

$$4 [\log_4 4 + \log_4 3] + 8 \log_4 7$$

$$4 [1 + \log_4 3] + 8 \log_4 7 =$$

$$\boxed{4 + 4 \log_4 3 + 8 \log_4 7}$$