

Logarithmic Equations

an equation that can be written in the form...

$$\log_b x = y$$

Let b and x be positive numbers, and $b \neq 1$. The logarithm base b of x is defined as follows:

$$\log_b x = y \text{ if and only if } x = b^y$$

Changing from Logarithmic Form to Exponential Form

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Write the following logarithmic equations in exponential form.

$$\log_2 8 = 3 \quad \log_3 81 = 4 \quad \log_2 2 = 1 \quad \log_{\frac{1}{2}} 8 = -3$$

Changing from Exponential Form to Logarithmic Form

$$\begin{array}{ccc} x = b^y & \longrightarrow & \log_b x = y \\ \text{Exponential Form} & & \text{Logarithmic Form} \end{array}$$

$$\log x = b^y$$

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Write the following exponential equations in logarithmic form.

$$9 = 3^2$$

$$64 = 2^6$$

$$1 = 5^0$$

$$16 = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-2}$$

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if and only if

Exponential Form

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