



Homework 5.4 – Logarithmic Functions

1. (1 pt) [alfredLibrary/AUCI/chapter5/lesson4/quiz/convert1pet.pg](#)

Recall that $b^x = y$ is equivalent to $\log_b y = x$.

(a) The exponential equation $e^{-4} = 0.0183$ is equivalent to the logarithmic equation

$$\ln(\quad) = \quad.$$

(b) The exponential equation $3^{-5} = 0.0067$ is equivalent to the logarithmic equation

$$\log_3(\quad) = \quad.$$

(c) The logarithmic equation $\log_{10} 6 = 0.7782$ is equivalent to the exponential equation

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(d) The logarithmic equation $\ln 7 = 0.8451$ is equivalent to the exponential equation

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2. (1 pt) [alfredLibrary/AUCI/chapter5/lesson4/simplifylog1pet.pg](#)

Use the properties of logarithms to rewrite the expression as a single logarithmic function:

$$(a) 5 \log x - 5 \log(x^2 + 1) + 3 \log(x - 1) = \log(\quad).$$

$$(b) 5 \log(x + 1) - 3 \log(x^3 + 4) - 5 \log x = \log(\quad).$$

3. (1 pt) [alfredLibrary/AUCI/chapter5/lesson4/solveexponential1pet.pg](#)

Solve the equation for x .

$$5^{x-1} = 3^{2x+1}$$

$$x = \quad$$

4. (1 pt) [alfredLibrary/AUCI/chapter5/lesson4/criticalpoint1pet.pg](#)

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \frac{e^{2x} + 8}{e^x}.$$

$$(a) f'(x) = \quad.$$

(b) The only critical point of f is at $x = \quad$.
(HINT: The function e^{kx} is never zero.)

(c) The extreme value at the critical point is \quad .

5. (1 pt) [alfredLibrary/AUCI/chapter5/lesson4/halfife2pet.pg](#)

Recall, the continuous exponential growth or decay model is $A(t) = A_0 e^{kt}$, where $A_0 = A(0)$ is the initial amount, and k is the exponential rate of decay.

Half-life is the time it takes for the substance to decay to half of its initial amount, so we set $A(t) = 0.5A_0$ and solve for t .

The half-life of Radium-226 is $t = 1590$ years. If a sample contains 500 mg, how many mg will remain after 1000 years?

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