

Homework Ch 12.2, Logarithms, Part B

1) $\log_3 81 = x$

$$3^x = 81$$

$$x = 4$$

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2) $\log_5 \frac{1}{25} = x$

$$5^x = \frac{1}{25}$$

$$x = -2$$

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3) $\log_{10} 100,000 = x$

$$10^x = 100,000$$

$$x = 5$$

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4) $\log_4 (-16) = x$

$$4^x = -16$$

impossible

undefined

5) $\log_2 x = -5$

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

$$\frac{1}{2^5} = x$$

$$\frac{1}{32} = x$$

$$x = \frac{1}{32}$$

6) $\log_x 49 = 2$

$$x^2 = 49$$

$$x = 7$$

7) $\log_{10} x = 4$

$$10^4 = x$$

$$10,000 = x$$

$$x = 10,000$$

8) $\log_8 x = 0$

$$8^0 = x$$

$$1 = x$$

$$x = 1$$

9) $\log_{10} 0.01 = x$

$$10^x = 0.01$$

$$x = -2$$

$$\log_{10} 0.01 = -2$$

10) $\log_9 9 = x$

$$9^x = 9$$

$$x = 1$$

11) $\log_3 x = 4$

$$3^4 = x$$

$$81 = x$$

$$x = 81$$

12) $\log_{10} 0.000000001 = x$

$$10^x = 0.000000001$$

$$x = -8$$

$$\log_{10} 0.000000001 = -8$$

13) $\log_x 9 = 2$

$$x^2 = 9$$

$$x = 3$$

14) $\log_{10} \frac{1}{100,000} = x$

$$10^x = \frac{1}{100,000}$$

$$x = -5$$

$$\log_{10} \frac{1}{100,000} = -5$$

15) $\log_{25} x = \frac{1}{2}$

$$25^{\frac{1}{2}} = x$$

$$\sqrt{25} = x$$

$$5 = x$$

$$x = 5$$

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16) $\log_{10} x = -4$

$$10^{-4} = x$$

$$\frac{1}{10^4} = x$$

$$\frac{1}{10,000} = x$$

$$x = \frac{1}{10,000}$$

17) $\log_3 1 = x$

$$3^x = 1$$

$$x = 0$$

18) $\log_x \frac{1}{9} = -2$

$$x^{-2} = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$x^2 = 9$$

$$x = 3$$

19) $\log_{\frac{1}{5}} 125 = x$

$$\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^x = 125$$

$$x = -3$$

20) $\log_{\frac{1}{2}} x = -3$

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-3} = x$$

$$2^3 = x$$

$$8 = x$$

$$x = 8$$

21) $\log_7 \sqrt{7} = x$

$$7^x = \sqrt{7}$$

$$7^x = 7^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$

22) $\log_x \frac{25}{9} = -2$

$$x^{-2} = \frac{25}{9}$$

$$x^2 = \frac{9}{25}$$

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