

SIMPLIFYING RADICAL EXPRESSIONS

Perfect Squares: 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, 144...

x^2, x^4, x^6, \dots Exponents must be _____.

$\sqrt{25}$ is read "the square root of 25".

$$\sqrt{25} = 5 \text{ because } 5^2 = 25 \quad \sqrt{36} = 6 \text{ because } \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad} \quad \sqrt{100} = \underline{\quad} \quad \sqrt{49} = \underline{\quad}$$

$$\sqrt{a^6} = a^3 \text{ because } (a^3)^2 = a^6 \quad \sqrt{m^{16}} = m^8 \text{ because } \underline{\quad} = \underline{\quad} \quad \sqrt{y^{10}} = \underline{\quad} \quad \sqrt{a^2} = \underline{\quad}$$

Hint: Divide the exponent by _____.

In the expression \sqrt{a} , the $\sqrt{\quad}$ is called the radical and a is called the radicand.

Simplify (Simplifying Perfect Squares):

1. $\sqrt{4}$ 2. $\sqrt{16}$ 3. $-\sqrt{100}$ 4. $\sqrt{a^8}$ 5. $\sqrt{w^{12}}$

6. $\sqrt{a^6 b^{10}}$ 7. $\sqrt{9a^2}$ 8. $-\sqrt{81m^{64}}$ 9. $\sqrt{49a^4 b^{12}}$ 10. $\sqrt{121x^{14} y^6}$

Simplify (Simplifying Radicals that are not Perfect Squares):

1. $\sqrt{20} = \sqrt{4} \cdot \sqrt{5} = 2\sqrt{5}$ 2. $\sqrt{27} = \sqrt{9}\sqrt{3} = 3\sqrt{3}$ 3. $\sqrt{48} = \sqrt{16}\sqrt{3} = 4\sqrt{3}$

4. $\sqrt{45} = \sqrt{\quad} \sqrt{\quad} = \underline{\quad} \sqrt{\quad}$ 5. $\sqrt{12} = \sqrt{\quad} \sqrt{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$ 6. $\sqrt{50} =$

7. $\sqrt{a^5} = \sqrt{a^4} \sqrt{a} = a^2 \sqrt{a}$ 8. $\sqrt{x^9} = \sqrt{\quad} \sqrt{\quad} = \underline{\quad}$ 9. $\sqrt{x^3} =$

Simplify:

1. $\sqrt{18}$ 2. $\sqrt{125}$ 3. $\sqrt{72}$ 4. $\sqrt{180}$ 5. $\sqrt{a^3}$

6. $\sqrt{b^7}$ 7. $\sqrt{m^{11}}$ 8. $\sqrt{75x^7 y^5}$ 9. $\sqrt{27a^{11} b^7}$ 10. $\sqrt{32a^7 b^4}$

11. $\sqrt{9a^8}$ 12. $\sqrt{45a^7}$ 13. $\sqrt{36x^2 y^6}$ 14. $\sqrt{12x^{20} y^8}$ 15. $-\sqrt{200}$

16. $\sqrt{196}$ 17. $\sqrt{63x^4 y}$ 18. $\sqrt{6x^3}$ 19. $\sqrt{100x^5 y}$ 20. $\sqrt{80x^{100} y^{49}}$

Homework Simplifying Radicals

Name _____

Simplify each of the following expressions completely.

1. $\sqrt{64}$ _____ 2. $-\sqrt{18}$ _____ 3. $\sqrt{32}$ _____

4. $\sqrt{50}$ _____ 5. $\sqrt{400}$ _____ 6. $\sqrt{x^6}$ _____

7. $\sqrt{x^7}$ _____ 8. $\sqrt{16x^{16}}$ _____ 9. $\sqrt{9x^9}$ _____

10. $\sqrt{40x^8}$ _____ 11. $\sqrt{25x^7}$ _____ 12. $\sqrt{12x^5}$ _____

13. $\sqrt{a^2b^4}$ _____ 14. $\sqrt{49a^8x^{12}}$ _____ 15. $\sqrt{28x^9y^6}$ _____

16. $\sqrt{32m^7n^{11}}$ _____ 17. $\sqrt{20x^{10}y^5}$ _____ 18. $\sqrt{100ab^4}$ _____

19. $\sqrt{75x^8y^3}$ _____ 20. $\sqrt{98x^7y^5}$ _____ 21. $\frac{x^2+16x+63}{2x^2+19x+9}$

Homework: This worksheet**Answers to odd problems on worksheet:**

1. 8 3. $4\sqrt{2}$ 5. 20 7. $x^3\sqrt{x}$ 9. $3x^4\sqrt{x}$ 11. $5x^3\sqrt{x}$

13. ab^2 15. $2x^4y^3\sqrt{7x}$ 17. $2x^5y^2\sqrt{5y}$ 19. $5x^4y\sqrt{3y}$ 21. $\frac{x+7}{2x+1}$