

Simplifying Integer Exponents

Review Negative Exponents:

Take the reciprocal of base and change the sign of the **exponent**.

$$\frac{x^{-2}}{y^3} =$$

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Zero Exponent:

$$x^0 =$$

$$(10x^2y^4)^0 =$$

Simplify each of the following. Your answers should have no **NEGATIVE** exponents.

1. Multiply the exponents to get rid of parentheses.
2. Make all exponents positive.
3. Clean up.

$$1. (3x^{-2}y^{-3})^2(5xy^{-1})^{-3}$$

$$2. \frac{(3x^5y^{-4})^{-2}}{(2x^{-2}y^{-3})^3}$$

$$3. \left(\frac{5x^2y^{-5}}{8x^6y^{-12}}\right)^2$$

$$4. \left(\frac{6x^3y^{-2}}{9^0x^{-5}y^{-6}}\right)^{-3}$$