

# Logarithms

Find, giving your answer to 3 significant figures where appropriate, the value of  $x$  for which

(a)  $3^x = 5$ , (3)

(b)  $\log_2(2x + 1) - \log_2 x = 2$ .  
\_\_\_\_\_ (4)

Solve

(a)  $5^x = 8$ , giving your answers to 3 significant figures, (3)

(b)  $\log_2(x + 1) - \log_2 x = \log_2 7$ .  
\_\_\_\_\_ (3)

(i) Write down the value of  $\log_6 36$ . (1)

(ii) Express  $2 \log_a 3 + \log_a 11$  as a single logarithm to base  $a$ .  
\_\_\_\_\_ (3)

Solve the equation  $5^x = 17$ , giving your answer to 3 significant figures. (3)

(a) Find, to 3 significant figures, the value of  $x$  for which  $8^x = 0.8$ . (2)

(b) Solve the equation  
$$2 \log_3 x - \log_3 7x = 1.$$
\_\_\_\_\_ (4)

Given that  $a$  and  $b$  are positive constants, solve the simultaneous equations

$$a = 3b,$$

$$\log_3 a + \log_3 b = 2.$$

Give your answers as exact numbers. \_\_\_\_\_ (6)

(a) Find, to 3 significant figures, the value of  $x$  for which  $5^x = 7$ . (2)

(b) Solve the equation  $5^{2x} - 12(5^x) + 35 = 0$ .  
\_\_\_\_\_ (4)

Given that  $0 < x < 4$  and

$$\log_5(4 - x) - 2 \log_5 x = 1,$$

find the value of  $x$ .

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(6)

(a) Find the value of  $y$  such that

$$\log_2 y = -3.$$

(2)

(b) Find the values of  $x$  such that

$$\frac{\log_2 32 + \log_2 16}{\log_2 x} = \log_2 x.$$

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(5)

(a) Find the positive value of  $x$  such that

$$\log_x 64 = 2.$$

(2)

(b) Solve for  $x$

$$\log_2(11 - 6x) = 2 \log_2(x - 1) + 3.$$

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(6)

(a) Given that

$$2 \log_3(x - 5) - \log_3(2x - 13) = 1,$$

show that  $x^2 - 16x + 64 = 0$ .

(5)

(b) Hence, or otherwise, solve  $2 \log_3(x - 5) - \log_3(2x - 13) = 1$ .

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(2)

(a) Sketch the graph of  $y = 7^x$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , showing the coordinates of any points at which the graph crosses the axes.

(2)

(b) Solve the equation

$$7^{2x} - 4(7^x) + 3 = 0,$$

giving your answers to 2 decimal places where appropriate.

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(6)

Find, giving your answer to 3 significant figures where appropriate, the value of  $x$  for which

(a)  $5^x = 10$ ,

(2)

(b)  $\log_3(x - 2) = -1$ .

(2)