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Module 11 Simplifying Algebraic Expressions
with Polynomials
Lesson 1 Applying Rules of Exponents



**guided
notes**

Lesson Objectives

- Apply the *multiplication rule for exponents*.
- Apply the *division rule for exponents*.
- Apply the *definition of negative exponents*.
- Apply the *power-of-a-power rule*.
- Apply the *power-of-a-product rule*.
- Apply the *power-of-a-quotient rule*.

The rules for exponents are used to _____ exponential expressions.

Multiplication rule for exponents:

$$a^m \cdot a^n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$a \neq 0$$

To use the *multiplication rule for exponents* the bases must be the same. If not, the expression _____.

Division rule for exponents:

$$\frac{a^m}{a^n} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$a \neq 0$$

Definition of negative exponents:

For a nonzero number a and a positive integer n , _____.

1 Simplify: $4^3 \cdot 4$

2 Simplify: $\frac{6^2}{6^5}$

Power-of-a-power rule:

$$(a^m)^n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$a \neq 0$$

Power-of-a-product rule:

$$(ab)^m = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$a \neq 0, b \neq 0$$

Power-of-a-quotient rule:

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^m = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$a \neq 0, b \neq 0$$

3 Simplify: $(4^3)^0$

4 Simplify: $(3y^3)^2$

5 Simplify: $\left(\frac{4}{x}\right)^3$
