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Module 1 Getting Ready for Algebra
Lesson 4 Simplifying Expressions with
Exponents and Roots

independent practice

Simplify.

**1**. 8<sup>3</sup>

**2.** 3<sup>4</sup>

(Black plate)

**3.** 3<sup>0</sup>

**4.**  $\left(\frac{3}{7}\right)^2$ 

**5.**  $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4$ 

**6**. 21<sup>1</sup>

**7.** 11<sup>2</sup>

**8.** 0<sup>6</sup>

**9.** (–2)<sup>3</sup>

**10.**  $\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right)^3$ 

**11**. (–2)<sup>7</sup>

**12.** (-1)<sup>0</sup>

**13**. (-6)<sup>2</sup>

**14.**  $\left(-\frac{1}{6}\right)^3$ 

**15**.  $\sqrt{81}$ 

**16.**  $\sqrt{\frac{2}{3}}$ 

**17.**  $\sqrt[3]{729}$ 

18.

**19.**  $\sqrt[3]{-125}$ 

**20.**  $\sqrt{900}$ 

## Journal

- **1.** A student wrote the rule:  $1^n = 1$ , where n is any natural number. Is the student correct? Can you think of any changes that might be made to her rule? Explain.
- **2.** Students often forget the "code" for simplifying exponential expressions and say that  $b^n = b \cdot n$ . Is there ever a case in which  $b^n = b \cdot n$ ? Explain.
- **3.** In this lesson, you learned the rule  $b^0 = 1$ . Write a rule for  $b^1$ . Write a rule for  $0^n$ . Explain each rule.
- 4. How can you determine whether a cube root is negative or positive? Explain.
- **5.** In the expression  $(-2)^4$ , why are parentheses included? What is the value of  $-2^4$ ?

## **Cumulative Review**

Complete the table by placing a check mark in each column that applies to the given number.

	Real Number	Rational Number	Integer	Whole Number	Natural Number
<b>1</b> . –3					
<b>2</b> . 0					
<b>3.</b> 5.6					
<b>4.</b> 5					
<b>5</b> . $\frac{2}{5}$					

## Simplify.

**10.**  $\frac{1}{8} \cdot \frac{2}{3} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

**9.** 
$$\left(\frac{2}{5}\right) - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) =$$