

**LESSON 99**

1.  $1/x$     2. 2    3.  $e^{3x}$     4. 2  
 5. 1    6. A    7.  $y = 1$   
 8.  $f(x) = 2(3)^x$     9.  $y = 20(2)^{t/3}$   
 10. About \$3,560

*Worked-out solutions:*

1. 
$$\frac{(2x^{-2})(8x^5)}{16x^4} = \frac{2 \cdot 8}{16} x^{-2+5-4} = x^{-1} = \frac{1}{x}$$
2. 
$$\left(\frac{x^3}{3x^{-6}}\right)^2 = \frac{(x^3)^2}{(3x^{-6})^2} = \frac{x^6}{3^2 x^{-12}} = \frac{1}{3^2} x^{6-(-12)} = \frac{1}{9} x^{18}$$
  
 $ak = (1/9)(18) = 2$
3.  $(4e^x)(2e^{-x})^{-2} = (2^2 e^x)(2^{-2} e^{2x}) = 2^0 e^{3x} = e^{3x}$
4.  $3^{2x} = 81$   
 $3^{2x} = 3^4$       Rewrite using base 3.  
 $2x = 4$       One-to-one property  
 $x = 2$       Solve for  $x$ .
5.  $4^{3-x} = 8^{x+2}$   
 $(2^2)^{3-x} = (2^3)^{x+2}$       Rewrite using base 2.  
 $2^{2(3-x)} = 2^{3(x+2)}$       Exponent rules  
 $2(3-x) = 3(x+2)$       One-to-one property  
 $x = 0$       Solve for  $x$ .  
 $2^x = 2^0 = 1$
6.  $e$  is a number greater than 2 but less than 3, so the graph will have the same shape as  $y = 2^x$ .
7.  $f(x)$  is  $y = 2^x$  shifted up 1 unit.  
 The asymptote of the graph of  $y = 2^x$  is  $y = 0$ , so the asymptote of the graph of  $f(x)$  is  $y = 1$ .
8.  $f(x) = ab^x$   
 $2 = ab^0$       Plug in  $(0, 2)$ .  
 $a = 2$       Zero exponent rule ( $b^0 = 1$ )  
 $f(x) = ab^x$   
 $6 = 2b^1$       Plug in  $a$  and  $(1, 6)$ .  
 $b = 3$       Divide both sides by 2.  
 $f(x) = 2(3)^x$       Write the function.
9.  $a =$  initial number of bacteria = 20  
 $b =$  growth factor = 2  
 $t/3 =$  exponent because the  $y$ -value doubles  
 (is multiplied by 2) at  $t = 3, 6, 9, \dots$ .  
 The function is  $y = 20(2)^{t/3}$ .

10.  $a =$  initial value = 20000

$b = 100\% - 25\% = 75\% = 0.75$  because  
 the new value is 75% of the previous value.

The function  $y = 20000(0.75)^t$  models the value of  
 the car after  $t$  years.

When  $t = 6$ ,  $y = 3559.57031\dots$

The value of the car will be about \$3,560.