

(1.) $2^x = 7$ here is the problem

$\log 2^x = \log 7$ take the log of each side

$x \log 2 = \log 7$ expand

$\frac{\log 2^x}{\log 2} = \frac{\log 7}{\log 2}$ divide each side by $\log 2$

$x = (\log 7) / (\log 2)$ cancel

$x = 2.8$ use calculator

(2.) $2^x = 3^{x+1}$ here is the problem

$\log 2^x = \log 3^{x+1}$ take the log of each side

$x \log 2 = (x + 1)(\log 3)$ expand

$x \log 2 = x \log 3 + \log 3$ multiply thru

$- x \log 3 \quad -x \log 3$ subtract this from each side

$x \log 2 - x \log 3 = \log 3$ subtract

$x(\log 2 - \log 3) = \log 3$ factor

$\frac{x(\log 2 - \log 3)}{\log 2 - \log 3} = \frac{\log 3}{\log 2 - \log 3}$ div ea side by this

$x = (\log 3) / (\log 2 - \log 3)$ cancel

$x = -2.7$ use calculator

(3.) $7^{2x-1} - 5^{3x} = 0$ here is the problem

$+5^{3x} \quad + 5^{3x}$ add 5^{3x} to each side

$\frac{7^{2x-1}}{7^{2x-1}} = \frac{5^{3x}}{5^{3x}}$ add

$(2x - 1) \log 7 = 3x \log 5$ expand

$$2x \log 7 - \log 7 = 3x \log 5 \quad \text{multiply thru parentheses}$$

$$+ \log 7 \quad + \log 7 \quad \text{add log 7 to each side}$$

$$\frac{2x \log 7}{} = \frac{3x \log 5 + \log 7}{} \quad \text{add}$$

$$- 3x \log 5 \quad - 3x \log 5 \quad \text{subtract this fr ea side}$$

$$\frac{2x \log 7 - 3x \log 5}{} = \frac{\log 7}{} \quad \text{subtract}$$

$$x(2 \log 7 - 3 \log 5) = \log 7 \quad \text{factor}$$

$$\frac{(2 \log 7 - 3 \log 5)}{} \quad \frac{(2 \log 7 - 3 \log 5)}{} \quad \text{div ea side by this}$$

$$x = (\log 7) / (2 \log 7 - 3 \log 5) \quad \text{cancel}$$

$$x = -2 \quad \text{use calculator}$$

(4.) $2^{3x} = 4^{x+1}$ here is the problem

$$\log 2^{3x} = \log 4^{x+1} \quad \text{take the log of each side}$$

$$3x \log 2 = (x + 1) \log 4 \quad \text{expand}$$

$$3x \log 2 = x \log 4 + \log 4 \quad \text{multiply thru parentheses}$$

$$- x \log 4 \quad - x \log 4 \quad \text{subtract this from each side}$$

$$\frac{3x \log 2 - x \log 4}{} = \frac{\log 4}{} \quad \text{subtract}$$

$$x(3 \log 2 - \log 4) = \log 4 \quad \text{factor}$$

$$\frac{(3 \log 2 - \log 4)}{} \quad \frac{(3 \log 2 - \log 4)}{} \quad \text{div ea side by this}$$

$$x = (\log 4) / (3 \log 2 - \log 4) \quad \text{cancel}$$

$$x = 2 \quad \text{use calculator}$$

(ii.) Another way:

$$2^{3x} = 4^{x+1} \quad \text{here is the problem}$$

$$(2)^{3x} = (2^2)^{x+1} \quad \text{write 4 as } 2^2$$

$$(2)^{3x} = (2)^{2x+2} \quad \text{multiply thru parentheses}$$

$$3x = 2x + 2 \quad \text{cancel}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -2x \quad -2x \\ \hline \end{array} \quad \text{subtract } 2x \text{ from each side}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \hline x = 2 \end{array} \quad \text{subtract}$$

(5.) $5^{2x} = 7^{x+1}$ here is the problem

$$\log 5^{2x} = \log 7^{x+1} \quad \text{take the log of each side}$$

$$2x \log 5 = (x + 1) \log 7 \quad \text{expand}$$

$$2x \log 5 = x \log 7 + \log 7 \quad \text{multiply thru parentheses}$$

$$- x \log 7 \quad - x \log 7 \quad \text{subtract this from each side}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \hline 2x \log 5 - x \log 7 = \log 7 \end{array} \quad \text{subtract}$$

$$x(2 \log 5 - \log 7) = \log 7 \quad \text{factor}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \hline 2 \log 5 - \log 7 \quad 2 \log 5 - \log 7 \end{array} \quad \text{div ea side by this}$$

$$x = (\log 7) / (2 \log 5 - \log 7) \quad \text{cancel}$$

$$x = 1.5 \quad \text{use calculator}$$

(6.) $2^{0.4x} = 7$ here is the problem

$$\log 2^{0.4x} = \log 7 \quad \text{take the log of each side}$$

$$0.4 \times \log 2 = \log 7 \quad \text{expand}$$

$$\frac{0.4 \log 2}{0.4 \log 2} = \frac{\log 7}{0.4 \log 2} \quad \text{divide each side by this}$$

$$x = (\log 7 / (0.4 \log 2)) \quad \text{cancel}$$

$$x = 7 \quad \text{use calculator}$$

$$(1.) \quad 2 \log x - \log 10x = 0$$

$$\log x^2 - \log 10x = 0 \quad \text{condense}$$

$$\log (x^2/10x) = 0 \quad \text{condense}$$

$$x^2/10x = 10^0 \quad \text{write in exponential form}$$

$$(x/10) = 1 \quad \text{simplify, cancel}$$

$$x = 10 \quad \text{multiply each side by 10, cancel}$$

$$(2.) \quad \log (40x - 1) - \log (x - 1) = 3$$

$$\log (40x - 1)/(x - 1) = 3 \quad \text{condense}$$

$$(40x - 1)/(x - 1) = 10^3 \quad \text{write in exponential form}$$

$$(40x - 1)/(x - 1) = 1000 \quad \text{cube the 10}$$

$$40x - 1 = 1000x - 1000 \quad \text{multiply ea side by } x - 1, \text{ cancel}$$

$$-40x + 1 = -1000x + 1000 \quad \text{multiply thru by } -1$$

$$-1 \qquad \qquad - 1 \quad \text{subtract 1 from each side}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -40x \qquad \qquad = -1000x + 999 \end{array} \quad \text{subtract}$$

$$+ 1000x \qquad \qquad + 1000x \quad \text{add } 1000x \text{ to each side}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 960x \quad = \qquad \qquad 999 \end{array} \quad \text{add}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{960} \qquad \frac{\quad}{960} \qquad \text{divide each side by 960}$$

$$x = 999/960 \qquad \text{cancel}$$

$$x = 333/320 \qquad \text{reduce}$$

(3.) $\log_2 (x - 1) + \log_2 (x + 1) = 3$ here is the problem

$$\log_2 (x - 1)(x + 1) = 3 \qquad \text{condense}$$

$$(x - 1)(x + 1) = 2^3 \qquad \text{write in exponential form}$$

$$x^2 - 1 = 8 \qquad \text{foil multiply combine like terms, cube the 2}$$

$$+ 1 + 1 \qquad \text{add 1 to each side}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{x^2} = 9 \qquad \text{add}$$

$$x = 3 \qquad \text{take square roots}$$

(4.) $\log 2 + 2 \log x = \log (5x + 3)$ here is the problem

$$\log 2 + \log x^2 = \log (5x + 3) \qquad \text{condense}$$

$$\log 2x^2 = \log (5x + 3) \qquad \text{condense}$$

$$2x^2 = 5x + 3 \qquad \text{cancel the logs}$$

$$-5x \quad -5x \qquad \text{subtract 5x from each side}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{2x^2 - 5x} = 3 \qquad \text{subtract}$$

$$-3 \quad -3 \qquad \text{subtract 3 from each side}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{2x^2 - 5x - 3} = 0 \qquad \text{subtract}$$

$$(2x + 1)(x - 3) = 0 \quad \text{factor}$$

$$x - 3 = 0 \quad \text{set this factor equal to 0}$$

$$+ 3 \quad +3 \quad \text{add 3 to each side}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \hline x = 3 \end{array} \quad \text{add}$$

$$(5.) \quad 2 \log (3 - x) = \log 2 + \log (22 - 2x) \quad \text{here is the problem}$$

$$\log (3 - x)^2 = \log 2(22 - 2x) \quad \text{expand}$$

$$(3 - x)^2 = 2(22 - 2x) \quad \text{cancel the logs}$$

$$x^2 - 6x + 9 = 44 - 4x \quad \text{multiply}$$

$$+ 4x \quad + 4x \quad \text{add 4x to each side}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \hline x^2 - 2x + 9 = 44 \end{array} \quad \text{add}$$

$$- 44 \quad -44 \quad \text{subtract 44 from each side}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \hline x^2 - 2x - 35 = 0 \end{array} \quad \text{subtract}$$

$$(x - 7)(x + 5) = 0 \quad \text{factor}$$

$$x + 5 = 0 \quad \text{set this factor equal to 0}$$

$$-5 \quad -5 \quad \text{subtract this from each side}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \hline x = -5 \end{array}$$

$$(6.) \quad 2 \log x - \log (30 - 2x) = 1 \quad \text{here is the problem}$$

$$\log x^2 - \log (30 - 2x) = 1 \quad \text{expand}$$

$$\log (x^2)/(30 - 2x) = 1 \quad \text{condense}$$

$$(x^2)/(30 - 2x) = 10 \quad \text{write in exponential form}$$

$$x^2 = 300 - 20x \quad \text{multiply thru by 30 - 2x, cancel}$$

$$+ 20x \quad + 20x \quad \text{add } 20x \text{ to each side}$$

$$x^2 + 20x = 300 \quad \text{add}$$

$$- 300 \quad -300 \quad \text{subtract } 300 \text{ from each side}$$

$$x^2 + 20x - 300 = 0 \quad \text{subtract}$$

$$(x + 30)(x - 10) = 0 \quad \text{factor}$$

$$x - 10 = 0 \quad \text{set this factor equal to } 0$$

$$+ 10 \quad +10 \quad \text{add } 10 \text{ to each side}$$

$$x = 10 \quad \text{add}$$

(7.) $\log(x^2 + 3x) + \log 5x = 1 + \log 2x$ here is the problem

$$\log(x^2 + 3x) + \log 5x = \log 10 + \log 2x$$

[write 1 as $\log 10$]

$$\log 5x(x^2 + 3x) = \log 20x \quad \text{condense}$$

$$5x(x^2 + 3x) = 20x \quad \text{cancel logs}$$

$$5x^3 + 15x^2 = 20x \quad \text{multiply thru parentheses}$$

$$\frac{\quad}{5} \quad \frac{\quad}{5} \quad \frac{\quad}{5} \quad \text{divide thru by } 5$$

$$x^3 + 3x^2 = 4x \quad \text{divide}$$

$$-4x \quad -4x \quad \text{subtract } 4x \text{ from each side}$$

$$x^3 + 3x^2 - 4x = 0 \quad \text{subtract}$$

$$x(x^2 + 3x - 4) = 0 \quad \text{factor}$$

$$x(x + 4)(x - 1) = 0 \quad \text{factor}$$

$$x - 1 = 0 \quad \text{set this factor equal to 0}$$

$$+ 1 \quad +1 \quad \text{add 1 to each side}$$

$$x = 1 \quad \text{add}$$

(8.) $x^{\log x} = 100x$ here is the problem

$$\log x^{\log x} = \log 100x \quad \text{take the log of each side}$$

$$(\log x)(\log x) = \log 100x \quad \text{expand}$$

$$(\log x)^2 = \log 100x \quad \text{use an exponent}$$

$$- \log 100x \quad - \log 100x \quad \text{subtract this from each side}$$

$$(\log x)^2 - \log 100x = 0 \quad \text{subtract}$$

$$(\log x)^2 - \log 100 - \log x = 0 \quad \text{expand}$$

$$(\log x)^2 - 2 - \log x = 0 \quad \text{evaluate log 100}$$

$$(\log x)^2 - \log x - 2 = 0 \quad \text{rearrange terms}$$

$$(\log x - 2)(\log x + 1) = 0 \quad \text{factor}$$

$$\log x - 2 = 0 \quad \text{set this factor = to 0}$$

$$+ 2 \quad + 2 \quad \text{add 2 to each side}$$

$$\log x = 2 \quad \text{add}$$

$$x = 10^2 \quad \text{write in exponential form}$$

$$x = 100 \quad \text{square the 10}$$

$$\log x + 1 = 0 \quad \text{set this factor equal to 0}$$

-1 -1 subtract 1 from each side

$$\log x = -1 \quad \text{subtract}$$

$$x = 10^{-1} \quad \text{write in exponential form}$$

$$x = 0.01 \quad \text{raise 10 to the -1 power}$$

results: $x = 100$; $x = 0.01$

(9.) $27^{x^2+1} = 243$ here is the problem

$$(3^3)^{x^2+1} = 3^5 \quad \text{write as powers of 3}$$

$$(3)^{3x^2+3} = 3^5 \quad \text{multiply exponents}$$

$$3x^2 + 3 = 5 \quad \text{cancel}$$

-3 -3 subtract 3 from each side

$$\frac{3x^2}{3} = \frac{2}{3} \quad \text{subtract}$$

$$\frac{3x^2}{3} = \frac{2}{3} \quad \text{divide each side by 3}$$

$$x^2 = 2/3 \quad \text{cancel}$$

$$x = \sqrt{2/3} \quad x = -\sqrt{2/3} \quad \text{take square roots}$$

(10.) $2^{x+1} = 7^{x+2}$ here is the problem

$$\log 2^{x+1} = \log 7^{x+2} \quad \text{take the log of each side}$$

$$(x + 1)(\log 2) = (x + 2)(\log 7) \quad \text{expand}$$

$$x \log 2 + \log 2 = x \log 7 + 2 \log 7 \quad \text{multiply thru}$$

$$- \log 2 \quad - \log 2 \quad \text{subtract log 2 fr ea side}$$

$$x \log 2 = x \log 7 + 2 \log 7 - \log 2 \quad \text{subtract}$$

$$- x \log 7 \quad - x \log 7 \quad \text{subtract } x \log 7 \text{ fr ea side}$$

$$x \log 2 - x \log 7 = 2 \log 7 - \log 2 \quad \text{subtract}$$

$$x(\log 2 - \log 7) = 2 \log 7 - \log 2 \quad \text{factor}$$

$$\frac{\log 2 - \log 7}{\log 2 - \log 7} \quad \text{div ea side by this}$$

$$x = (2 \log 7 - \log 2) / (\log 2 - \log 7) \quad \text{cancel}$$

$$x = -2.6 \quad \text{use calculator}$$