

**Aim: How do we solve exponential equations?****I. Do Now:**

1. Expand:

$$\log\left(\frac{y^5}{3x}\right)$$

2. Condense:

$$3\log x + 2\log y - 4\log z$$

3. Solve for  $x$  and check:

(a)  $4^x = 32$

\*(b)  $4^x = 30$

**II. There are two techniques for solving exponential equations (equations with variables in the exponents):**

1.

2.

**III. Practice: Solve and check:**

4.  $9^x = 27$

5.  $4^x = \frac{1}{8}$

6.  $5^x = 0.059$

7.  $4^{x+5} = 7^x$

**IV. Change of Base Formula:**

$$\log_a b =$$

8.  $\log_6 42 =$

9.  $\log_5 15 =$

**V. Application:**

10. Carl deposits \$100 in a bank account at 6% interest, compounded annually. How many years will it take for his money to grow to \$150?

Recall:  $A = P\left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$

where  $A$  = final amount (balance)

$P$  = principal (money invested)

$r$  = interest rate (6% = 0.06)

$t$  = time, in years

$n$  = # of times compounded per year