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**WARM-UP**  
List the perfect squares, cubes, and fourths.

**Perfect Squares:**  
**Perfect Cubes:**  
**Perfect Fourths:**

**N<sup>TH</sup> ROOTS**

**Definition:**  $x$  is the  $n^{\text{th}}$  root of a real number  $a$  if \_\_\_\_\_  
**Examples:**  
• \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are **square roots** of 81 because \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_  
• \_\_\_\_\_ is the **cube root** of -8 because \_\_\_\_\_  
• \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are **fourth roots** of 256 because \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

**RADICAL**  
*Expression*

The  $n^{\text{th}}$  root of a real number,  $a$ , can be written as the radical expression  $\sqrt[n]{a}$

• If there is **no index**, it is assumed that \_\_\_\_\_.

• **Number of Roots:**

Index	Radicand	Type of Roots	# of Roots
Even	Positive		
Odd	Positive		
Odd	Negative		
★ Even	Negative		

• If a radicand has more than one  $n^{\text{th}}$  root, the radical sign indicates only the **principal, or positive, root**.

**EVALUATING**  
*Radicals*

**Find each value.**

$\sqrt{16} =$        $-\sqrt{121} =$        $\sqrt{289} =$        $-\sqrt{\frac{4}{25}} =$

$\sqrt[3]{8} =$        $\sqrt[3]{343} =$        $\sqrt[3]{-125} =$        $\sqrt[3]{-\frac{1}{27}} =$

$-\sqrt[4]{1} =$        $\sqrt[4]{2,401} =$        $-\sqrt[4]{4,096} =$        $\sqrt[4]{\frac{81}{16}} =$

<b>SIMPLIFYING</b> <i>Radicals</i>	1. $\sqrt{117}$		2. $4\sqrt{320}$	
	3. $2\sqrt[3]{48}$		4. $3\sqrt[3]{108}$	
	5. $\sqrt[3]{-250}$		6. $6\sqrt[3]{-2}$	
	7. $3\sqrt[4]{162}$		8. $5\sqrt[4]{2,592}$	
<i>Radicals with</i> <b>VARIABLES</b>	<b>Square Roots</b> Exponents must be multiples of ____!	<b>Cube Roots</b> Exponents must be multiples of ____!		<b>4<sup>th</sup> Roots</b> Exponents must be multiples of ____!
	9. $\sqrt{32x^4y^9}$		10. $\sqrt{324a^3b^7}$	
	11. $\sqrt[3]{216m^3n^6}$		12. $\sqrt[3]{56r^8s^4}$	
	13. $\sqrt[3]{-64x^{10}y^{21}}$		14. $\sqrt[3]{-81p^2q^{12}}$	
	15. $\sqrt[4]{w^4v^{17}}$		16. $\sqrt[4]{48m^8n^3}$	

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<b>RATIONAL EXPONENTS</b>	Expressions with rational exponents can be rewritten as radicals using the following rules:		
	<b>Exponential Form</b>	<b>Meaning</b>	<b>Radical Form</b>
	$a^{\frac{1}{n}}$	The $n^{\text{th}}$ root of $a$	$a^{\frac{1}{n}} =$
	$a^{\frac{m}{n}}$	The $n^{\text{th}}$ root of $a$ , raised to the $m^{\text{th}}$ power	$a^{\frac{m}{n}} =$
<i>Converting</i> <b>EXPONENTIAL TO RADICAL FORM</b>	<b>Directions:</b> Write each expression in <b>radical form</b> . Simplify if needed.		
	1. $x^{\frac{1}{4}}$	2. $24^{\frac{1}{3}}$	3. $(15x)^{\frac{1}{2}}$
	4. $7^{\frac{2}{3}}$	5. $k^{\frac{7}{2}}$	6. $3^{\frac{5}{4}}$
	7. $(ab)^{\frac{3}{4}}$	8. $(-6x)^{\frac{2}{3}}$	9. $7(12w)^{\frac{1}{2}}$
<i>Converting</i> <b>RADICAL TO EXPONENTIAL FORM</b>	<b>Directions:</b> Write each expression in <b>exponential form</b> .		
	10. $\sqrt[3]{16}$	11. $\sqrt{xy}$	12. $\sqrt[4]{8w^2}$
	13. $\sqrt[3]{11^2}$	14. $\sqrt[4]{k^{10}}$	15. $(\sqrt{3m})^7$
	16. $(\sqrt[4]{-2a})^5$	17. $\sqrt{10^5 a^3 b^8}$	18. $\sqrt[8]{9x^2 y^{12}}$

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<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ADDING &amp; SUBTRACTING</b> <i>Radicals</i></p>	①	<b>SIMPLIFY</b> all radicals.
	②	Identify radicals with the <b>SAME INDEX</b> and <b>SAME RADICAND</b> . Only these can be combined!
	③	For common radicals, <b>add/subtract the coefficients</b> and <b>KEEP THE COMMON RADICAL</b> .
	1. $3\sqrt{27} - 2\sqrt{12}$	2. $3\sqrt[3]{54} - 2\sqrt[3]{2} + 7\sqrt[3]{-16}$
	3. $7\sqrt[4]{48} - 2\sqrt[4]{3} + 3\sqrt[3]{72}$	4. $10\sqrt{28} + \sqrt[3]{-56} - 4\sqrt{175}$
	5. $\sqrt{98x^4y^2} - 3x^2y\sqrt{2}$	6. $\sqrt[3]{-40a^7} + 2a^2 \cdot \sqrt[3]{135a^4}$
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MULTIPLYING</b> <i>Radicals</i></p>	①	Multiply coefficients, then use the <b>PRODUCT RULE</b> : $\sqrt[n]{a} \cdot \sqrt[n]{b} =$
	②	<b>SIMPLIFY</b> the resulting radical.
	7. $\sqrt{27} \cdot \sqrt{5}$	8. $3\sqrt{10} \cdot -2\sqrt{18}$
	9. $2\sqrt[3]{9} \cdot 5\sqrt[3]{-24}$	10. $-3\sqrt[4]{64} \cdot -\sqrt[4]{8}$