

IB HL MATH
LOGARITHM QUESTION BANK by Rakesh Jha

Topic: Algebra

Logarithm question bank

1. Rewrite the following questions in log form
 (i) $4^{\frac{3}{2}} = 8$ (ii) $(2\sqrt{2})^{\frac{-2}{3}} = \frac{1}{2}$
2. Rewrite in the exponential form;
 (i) $\log_2 32 = 5$ (ii) $\log_{100}(0.1) = \frac{-1}{2}$
3. Find the value of
 (i) $2^{2-\log_2 5}$ (ii) $3^{\frac{-1}{2}\log_3 9}$ (iii) $10^{\log_{10} m + \log_{10} n}$
4. Compute without using GDC
 (i) $\log_6(216\sqrt{6})$ (ii) $\log_9 27 - \log_{27} 9$
 (iii) $\log \tan 40 \times \log \tan 41 \times \dots \times \log \tan 50$
5. Compute
 $\log_6 16$ if $\log_{12} 27 = a$
6. Find the least integer n such that $7^n > 10^5$ given that $\log_{10} 343 = 2.5353$
7. Determine b if
 (i) $\log_{\sqrt{8}} b = \frac{10}{3}$ (ii) $\ln 2 \times \log_b 625 = \log_{10} 16 \times \ln 10$
8. Prove that $\log_2 3$ is an irrational number.
9. If $\log_3 2, \log_3(2^x - 5), \log_3\left(2^x - \frac{7}{2}\right)$ are in AP then find the value of x .
10. Solve for x and y ;
 $(3x)^{\log 3} = (4y)^{\log 4}$ & $4^{\log x} = 3^{\log y}$
- 11.

Given that $\log, x, \log_m x$ & $\log_n x$ are in AP $x \neq 1$, prove that $n^2 = (\ln)^{\log, m}$.

12. Find the sum of $a\left(x^2 + \frac{1}{x^2}\right) - \frac{a^2}{2}\left(x^4 + \frac{1}{x^4}\right) + \frac{a^3}{3}\left(x^6 + \frac{1}{x^6}\right)$ and determine the value of a and x for which it is valid.

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13.

Show that $\frac{1}{\log_2 n} + \frac{1}{\log_3 n} + \dots + \frac{1}{\log_{43} n} = \frac{1}{\log_{43!} n}$

14.

If

$$\frac{\log a}{b-c} = \frac{\log b}{c-a} = \frac{\log c}{a-b}, \text{ prove that } a^a \cdot b^b \cdot c^c = 1$$

15.

Prove that

$$(i) \frac{\log_a n}{\log_{ab} n} = 1 + \log_a b$$

$$(ii) \text{ If } a^2 + b^2 = 7ab \text{ then } \log\left(\frac{a+b}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2}[\log a + \log b]$$

16.

If $a^2 + 4b^2 = 12ab$ then find the value of $\log(a+2b)$.

17.

Solve for x: $\log x + \log(1+x) = 0$

18.

Find the sum of series

$$\log_4 2 - \log_8 2 + \log_{16} 2 - \dots$$

19.

Find the value of x if, $7^{\log_7(x^2-4x+5)} = x-1$

20.

Find the value of $(0.2)^{\log_{\sqrt{5}}\left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{16} + \dots + \infty\right)}$

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21.

Solve the following equations for x:

(a) $2^{x^2} : 2^{2x} = 8 : 1$

(b) $3^{2x} - 3^{x+1} - 3^{x-1} + 1 = 0$

(c) $a^{2x}(a^2 + 1) = (a^{3x} + a^x)a$

(d) $3^x \cdot 8^{\frac{x}{x+2}} = 6$

(e) $4^x + 6^x = 9^x$

(f) $2^{2x+2} - 6^x - 2 \times 3^{2x+2} = 0$

(g) $16^{\sin^2 x} + 16^{\cos^2 x} = 10, 0 \leq x \leq 360$

(h) $\log_{10} \log_{10} \log_{10} x = 0$

(i) $\log_x(3x^2 + 10x) = 3$

(j) $\log_{10}(98 + \sqrt{x^3 - x^2 - 12x + 36}) = 2$

(k) $4^{\log_9 3} + 9^{\log_2 4} = 10^{\log_x 83}$

(l) $2^x = 1024$

(m) $\log\left(\frac{1}{2^x + x - 1}\right) = x(\log_{10} 5 - 1)$

22.

Solve for x:

$$\log_{10}(x^2 - x - 6) - x = \log_{10}(x + 2) - 4$$

23.

Solve for x: $\log_x 5 + \log_5 x = \frac{5}{2}$

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24.

If x and y are real the solve the following;

(a) $3 \cdot x^{2y-1} = 4$ & $x^{y+1} = 6$

(b) $3^x \cdot 5^y = 75$ & $3^y \cdot 5^x = 45$

(c) $\log_y x + \log_x y = 2$ & $x^2 + y = 12$

25.

Solve for x and y :

$$2^{x+y} = 6^y \text{ \& } 3^x = 3 \times 2^{y+1}$$

26.

Show that the equation $e^{\sin x} - e^{-\sin x} - 4 = 0$ has no real roots.

27.

Solve for x :

(a) $(5+2\sqrt{6})^{x^2-3} + (5-2\sqrt{6})^{x^2-3} = 10$

(b) $(\sqrt{3} + \sqrt{2})^x + (\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})^x = 10$

28.

Solve for x :

$$2 \cos^2 \left(\frac{x^2 + x}{2} \right) = 2^x + 2^{-x}$$

29.

Solve for x and y : $\log_2 xy = 5$ & $\log_{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{x}{y} \right) = 1$

30.

Solve for x :

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$$x^{\frac{2}{3}} \left((\log_2 x)^2 + \log_2 x - \frac{5}{4} \right) = \sqrt{2}$$

IB EXAM QUESTION:

1. Solve the following system of equations.

$$\log_{x+1} y = 2$$

$$\log_{y+1} x = \frac{1}{4}$$

2. Solve the equation $\log_3(x + 17) - 2 = \log_3 2x$.
3. Given that $4 \ln 2 - 3 \ln 4 = -\ln k$, find the value of k .
4. Solve the equation $2^{2x+2} - 10 \times 2^x + 4 = 0$, $x \in \mathbb{R}$.