

Solving exponential Equations Assignment

1. $9^{3x-7} = 9^{5-x}$ [powers are equal if base is same].

$$3x-7 = 5-x$$

$$4x = 12 \Rightarrow x = 3$$

2. $2^{4w+4} \cdot 2^{w+6} = 2^{2w+1}$

$$2^{(4w+4+w+6)} = 2^{2w+1}$$

$$5w+10 = 2w+1$$

$$3w = -9$$

$$w = -3$$

3. $8^{6y+4} = 64 = 8^2$

$$6y+4 = 2.$$

$$6y = -2 \Rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{3}$$

4. $\frac{1}{5} = 5^{2c+3} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{5} = 5^{-1}$

$$\therefore 5^{-1} = 5^{2c+3} \Rightarrow -1 = 2c+3$$

$$2c = -4$$

$$c = -2.$$

5. $\frac{1}{27} = 3^{4m-1}$

$$\frac{1}{27} = \frac{1}{3^3} = 3^{-3} \Rightarrow 3^{-3} = 3^{4m-1}$$

$$-3 = 4m-1$$

$$-2 = 4m$$

$$m = -\frac{1}{2}$$

$$6. 216 = 6^{2r-11}$$

$$6^3 = 6^{2r-11}$$

$$3 = 2r - 11$$

$$2r = 14$$

$$r = 7$$

$$7. 2^{3k-1} \cdot 2^{5k-7} = 16$$

$$2^{(3k-1)+(5k-7)} = 2^4$$

$$2^{8k-8} = 2^4$$

$$\Rightarrow 8k - 8 = 4$$

$$8k = 12$$

$$k = 1.5$$

$$8. 4^n \cdot 4^{2n-9} = 64$$

$$4^{n+2n-9} = 4^3$$

$$3n - 9 = 3$$

$$3n = 12 \Rightarrow n = 4$$