

1. Solve for x.

$$(a) 5 * 10^{5x} = 3$$

$$10^{(5x)} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\log 10^{(5x)} = \log 0.6$$

$$5x = \log 0.6$$

$$x = \frac{\log 0.6}{5}$$

$$(b) 6 = 2 * 10^{-3x}$$

$$3 = 10^{(-3x)}$$

$$\log(3) = \log(10^{(-3x)})$$

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

$$x = \frac{\log 3}{-3}$$

$$(c) 5e^{3.1x} = 25$$

$$e^{3.1x} = 5$$

$$\ln e^{3.1x} = \ln 5$$

$$3.1x = \ln 5$$

$$x = \frac{\ln 5}{3.1}$$

$$(d) \log 10^x = 4$$

$$x = 4$$

$$(e) \ln(4 - x) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$e^{0.5} = 4 - x$$

$$x = 4 - e^{0.5}$$

$$(f) \ln(x^2 - 3) = 0$$

$$e^0 = x^2 - 3$$

$$1 = x^2 - 3$$

$$4 = x^2$$

$$x = \pm 2$$

$$(g) 2 \log(2x + 5) + 6 = 0$$

$$\log(2x + 5) = -3$$

$$10^{-3} = 2x + 5$$

$$0.001 - 5 = 2x$$

$$-4.999 = 2x$$

$$x = -2.4995$$

$$(h) \ln(\ln 3x) = 0$$

$$e^0 = \ln 3x$$

$$1 = \ln 3x$$

$$e^1 = 3x$$

$$x = \frac{e^1}{3}$$

$$(i) \ln(x + 3) + \ln(x - 3) = \ln(7)$$

$$\ln[(x + 3)(x - 3)] = \ln(7)$$

$$x^2 - 9 = 7$$

$$x^2 = 16$$

$$x = \pm 4$$

Answer is $x = 4$ since -4 doesn't work in the original problem.

$$(j) \log(x - 2) + \log(x + 4) = \log 7$$

$$\log[(x - 2)(x + 4)] = \log 7$$

$$x^2 + 2x - 8 = 7$$

$$x^2 + 2x - 15 = 0$$

$$(x + 5)(x - 3) = 0$$

Answer $x=3$ since -5 doesn't work in the original problem.

$$(k) \log_x(15 - 2x) = 2$$

$$x^2 = 15 - 2x$$

$$x^2 + 2x - 15 = 0$$

$$x = -5 \text{ or } x = 3$$

Answer: $x = 3$

$$(l) \log_x(12x - 20) = 2$$

$$x^2 = 12x - 20$$

$$x^2 - 12x + 20 = 0$$

$$(x - 2)(x - 10) = 0$$

$$x = 2 \text{ or } x = 10$$

2. Use the properties of logarithms to rewrite the following as the sum and/or difference of logarithms

$$(a) \ln(x + 5)^4 e^5$$

$$\ln(x + 5)^4 + \ln e^5$$

$$4 \ln(+5) + 5$$

$$(b) \log\left(\frac{100x^4}{y^3}\right)$$

$$\log 100 + \log x^4 - \log y^3$$

$$\log 10^2 + 4 \log x - 3 \log y$$

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

$$(c) \log_5\left(\frac{x+3}{y^4 z^2}\right)$$

$$\log_5(x + 3) - \log_5 y^4 - \log_5 z^2$$

$$\log_5(x + 3) - 4 \log_5 y - 2 \log_5 z$$

3. Write as a single logarithm.

$$(a) 7 \log(x + 5) + 2 \log(x + 1)$$

$$\log[(x + 5)^7(x + 1)^2]$$

$$(b) \log_2 x + 5 \log_2(y + 1) + 2 \log_2(z - 1)$$

$$\log_2[x(y + 1)^5(z - 1)^2]$$

$$(c) 2 \ln(x + 4) - 5 \ln y + 3 \ln z$$

$$\ln\left(\frac{(x+4)^2 z^3}{y^5}\right)$$