

Simplify each.

$$1. \sqrt[4]{96}$$

$$2. \sqrt[3]{45}$$

$$3. \sqrt[5]{(-2)^8}$$

$$4. \sqrt[6]{3^7}$$

$$\boxed{3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3 \cdot 3}$$

$$\boxed{3\sqrt[6]{3}}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{1024}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ \sqrt[3]{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2} \\ 2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 2 \\ \sqrt[3]{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2} \\ 2 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 8 \\ \sqrt[3]{2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2} \\ 2 \end{array}$$

$$x^{\frac{5}{4}}$$

### Rational Exponents

A rational exponent is when the power on a number (or variable) is in the form  $\frac{m}{n}$

For example:

$$X^{\frac{m}{n}} \rightarrow \text{Power} \quad \sqrt[n]{\text{Root}}$$

$$\sqrt[n]{x^m} = (\sqrt[n]{x})^m$$

\* A rational exponent is the inverse of a radical expression.

$$x^{\frac{m}{n}} = \sqrt[n]{x^m} = (\sqrt[n]{x})^m$$

Write each rational exponent as a radical. Then simplify.

$$1. (-3)^{\frac{4}{3}}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{(-3)^4}$$

$$3\sqrt[3]{3}$$

$$2. 5^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \sqrt[3]{5^3} \\ \sqrt[3]{125} \\ 5 \end{array}$$

$$3. 2^{\frac{6}{5}}$$

$$\sqrt[5]{2^6}$$

$$2\sqrt[5]{2}$$

$$4. \cancel{(-4)^{\frac{5}{4}}}$$

$$5\sqrt{5}$$

Write each radical as a rational exponent.

$$\sqrt[5]{32}$$

$$\sqrt[6]{(2)^7}$$

$$32^{\frac{1}{5}}$$

$$(2)^{\frac{7}{6}}$$

$$\sqrt[3]{(-4)^2}$$

$$(\sqrt[3]{9})^3$$

$$(-4)^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$9^{\frac{3}{8}}$$

### Daily Practice

### Rational Exponents WS

$$\sqrt[3]{45}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} 1 \\ \sqrt[3]{4 \cdot 4 \cdot 4 \cdot 4 \cdot 4} \\ 2 \end{array}$$

$$4 \cdot 2 \sqrt[3]{2} = \boxed{8\sqrt[3]{2}}$$