

8. Evaluate $(1 - i)^4$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (1-i)^2 (1-i)^2 && (1-i)^2 \\
 &= (-2i)(-2i) && = (1-i)(1-i) \\
 &= 4i^2 = 4(-1) && = 1 - i - i + i^2 \\
 &= -4 && = 1 - 2i - 1 \\
 & && = -2i
 \end{aligned}$$

B-1) Evaluate

$$(1-2i)^3$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \underbrace{(1-2i)(1-2i)(1-2i)}_{(1-2i-2i+4i^2)(1-2i)} \\
 &= (1-2i-2i+4i^2)(1-2i) \\
 &= (1-4i-4)(1-2i) \\
 &= (-3-4i)(1-2i) \\
 &= -3 + 6i - 4i + 8i^2 = -3 + 2i - 8 \\
 &= \boxed{-11 + 2i}
 \end{aligned}$$

9. Simplify

$$\begin{aligned} & (\sqrt{a})^{\frac{4}{3}} \\ &= \left(a^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)^{\frac{4}{3}} = a^{\frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{4}{3}} = a^{\frac{2}{3}} = \left(\sqrt[3]{a}\right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

10. Evaluate

$$\begin{aligned} & 2\sqrt{-4} + 3\sqrt{-9} - 4\sqrt{4} \\ &= 2(2i) + 3(3i) - 4(2) \\ &= 4i + 9i - 8 \\ &= 13i - 8 \rightarrow -8 + 13i \\ &\quad \text{(in } a+bi\text{)} \end{aligned}$$

Part I – Multiple Choices (4 points each)

1. The expression $(2a)^{-4}$ is equivalent to

1) $-8a^4$

2) $\frac{16}{a^4}$

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

4) $\frac{1}{16a^4}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{(2a)^4} &= \frac{1}{2^4 a^4} \\ &= \frac{1}{16a^4} \end{aligned}$$

2. The expression $\frac{1}{7 - \sqrt{11}}$ is equivalent to

1) $\frac{7 + \sqrt{11}}{38}$

2) $\frac{7 - \sqrt{11}}{38}$

3) $\frac{7 + \sqrt{11}}{60}$

4) $\frac{7 - \sqrt{11}}{60}$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1(7 + \sqrt{11})}{(7 - \sqrt{11})(7 + \sqrt{11})} &= \frac{7 + \sqrt{11}}{7^2 - (\sqrt{11})^2} \\ &= \frac{7 + \sqrt{11}}{49 - 11} = \frac{7 + \sqrt{11}}{38} \end{aligned}$$

3. The expression $\frac{a^2b^{-3}}{a^{-4}b^2}$ is equivalent to

1) $\frac{a^6}{b^5}$

2) $\frac{b^5}{a^6}$

3) $\frac{a^2}{b}$

4) $a^{-2}b^{-1}$

$$\frac{a^2}{b^3} \cdot \frac{a^4}{b^2} \rightarrow \frac{a^6}{b^5}$$

4. If $a = 3$ and $b = -2$, what is the value of the expression $\frac{a^{-2}}{b^{-3}}$?

1) $-\frac{9}{8}$

2) -1

3) $-\frac{8}{9}$

4) $\frac{8}{9}$

$$\frac{b^3}{a^2} = \frac{(-2)^3}{(3)^2}$$

$$= \frac{-8}{9}$$

5. The expression $(x^2 - 1)^{-\frac{2}{3}}$ is equivalent to

- 1) $\sqrt[3]{(x^2 - 1)^2}$
- 2)** $\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{(x^2 - 1)^2}}$
- 3) $\sqrt{(x^2 - 1)^3}$
- 4) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{(x^2 - 1)^3}}$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt[3]{(x^2 - 1)^2}} = \frac{1}{(\sqrt[3]{x^2 - 1})^2}$$

Part II – Free Response (8 points each)

6. What is $(2 - 3\sqrt{x})^2$ when it is expanded?

$$(2 - 3\sqrt{x})(2 - 3\sqrt{x})$$

$$= 4 - 6\sqrt{x} - 6\sqrt{x} + 9x$$

$$= 4 - 12\sqrt{x} + 9x$$

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Show your work for full credits. (7 pts each)

1. Simplify: $\sqrt{8a^3b^5}$

$$\sqrt{4 \cdot 2(a^2a)(b^2b^2)b} = 2ab^2\sqrt{2ab}$$

2. Simplify: $\sqrt[3]{54a^6b^4}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \sqrt[3]{2 \cdot 3^3 \cdot a^3 \cdot a^3 \cdot b^3 \cdot b} \\
 &= 3a^2b \sqrt[3]{2b} \\
 &\quad \text{Factors: } 54 = 27 \cdot 2, \quad 27 = 3 \cdot 9, \quad 9 = 3 \cdot 3
 \end{aligned}$$

3. If $a > 0$, then $\sqrt{9a^2 + 16a^2}$ equals

1) $\sqrt{7a}$

2) $5\sqrt{a}$

$$= \sqrt{25a^2}$$

$$= 5a$$

3) $5a$

4) $7a$

4. Simplify and add.

$$\sqrt{18} + \sqrt{8} - \sqrt{3}$$

$$= \sqrt{9}\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{4}\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}$$

$$= 3\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}$$

$$= 5\sqrt{2} - \sqrt{3}$$

5. Evaluate

$$(2 - \sqrt{3})^2$$

$$(2 - \sqrt{3})(2 - \sqrt{3})$$

$$= 4 - 2\sqrt{3} - 2\sqrt{3} + 3 = 7 - 4\sqrt{3}$$