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No Warm-Up! :)

Get out ANYTHING that needs
to still be corrected...

11/1 - Simplifying Square Roots

$$\sqrt{4} = 2$$

$$\sqrt{25} = 5$$

$$\sqrt{49} = 7$$

$$\sqrt{121} = 11$$

Why??

If the $\sqrt{\quad}$ is printed,
it is considered a
"principle square root"
which means ONLY
POSITIVE!

What if it's not a perfect square?

Method 1:

$$\begin{aligned} &\sqrt{24} \\ &\quad \swarrow \searrow \\ &\quad 4 \cdot 6 \\ &\quad \swarrow \searrow \\ &\quad 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 \\ &= 2 \sqrt{2 \cdot 3} \\ &= 2\sqrt{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\sqrt{80} \\ &\quad \swarrow \searrow \\ &\quad 8 \cdot 10 \\ &\quad \swarrow \searrow \\ &\quad 4 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 2 \cdot 5 \\ &= 2 \cdot 2 \sqrt{5} \\ &= 4\sqrt{5} \end{aligned}$$

Method 2:

$$\begin{aligned} &\sqrt{24} \\ &= \sqrt{4 \cdot 6} \\ &= \sqrt{4} \cdot \sqrt{6} \\ &= 2\sqrt{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\sqrt{80} \\ &= \sqrt{16 \cdot 5} \\ &= 4\sqrt{5} \end{aligned}$$

Perfect Squares

4
9
16
25
36
49
64
81
100
121
144
169
196
225

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sqrt{4 \cdot 20} \\ &= 2\sqrt{20} \\ &= 2\sqrt{4 \cdot 5} \\ &= 2 \cdot 2\sqrt{5} \\ &= 4\sqrt{5} \end{aligned}$$

What about variables??

$$\begin{array}{ccccccccc} \sqrt{x^2} & & \sqrt{x^3} & & \sqrt{x^4} & & \sqrt{x^5} & & \sqrt{x^6} \\ = |x| & = & x\sqrt{x} & = & x^2 & = & x^2\sqrt{x} & = & |x^3| \end{array}$$

$$\sqrt{x^{20}} = x^{10}$$

$$\sqrt{x^{18}} = |x^9|$$

$$\sqrt{x^{15}} = x^7\sqrt{x}$$

Rules:

$$\sqrt{x^{\text{even}}} = x^{\text{even}}$$

$$\sqrt{x^{\text{even}}} = |x^{\text{odd}}|$$

$$\sqrt{a^2 b^3 c^{10}}$$

$$\sqrt{u^5 v^4 w^8}$$

$$= |a| \cdot b \cdot c^5 \sqrt{b} = u^2 v^2 w^4 \sqrt{u} =$$

$$\sqrt{60 x^{16} y^{30} z^{21}}$$

$$= 2 x^8 |y^{15}| z^{10} \sqrt{15z}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 2x\sqrt{32x^4y^6} \\
 &= \underline{2x} \cdot \underline{4x^2} \underline{y^3} \sqrt{2} \\
 &= \underline{8x^3} \underline{y^3} \sqrt{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 4mn^2\sqrt{24m^6n^5} \\
 &= 4mn^2 \cdot \underline{2} \underline{m^3} \underline{n^2} \sqrt{6n} \\
 &= 8m^4n^4\sqrt{6n}
 \end{aligned}$$

HOMEWORK:

Worksheets 1 and 2

Pink ←
#1-20

↓
Gold
#1-18

due Thursday