

# Lesson 9: Index Laws — Power of a Power and Mixed Practice

Year 10 Mathematics Unit 1 — Block B | Worksheet

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## Multiple Choice

**Q1.** Simplify  $(a^3)^4$ .

- A)  $a^7$  B)  $a^{12}$  C)  $a^{81}$  D)  $4a^3$

**Q2.** Simplify  $(2x^3)^2$ .

- A)  $2x^6$  B)  $4x^5$  C)  $4x^6$  D)  $4x^9$

**Q3.** Simplify  $(a^4)^3 / a^5$ .

- A)  $a^7$  B)  $a^{17}$  C)  $a^{60}$  D)  $a$

**Q4.** Which is NOT equivalent to  $(x^2)^3$ ?

- A)  $x^6$  B)  $x^2 \times x^2 \times x^2$  C)  $x^5$  D)  $x^3 \times x^3$

**Q5.** If  $(2^m)^3 = 64$ , what is the value of  $m$ ?

- A) 2 B) 3 C) 4 D) 5

## Short Answer

**Q6.** Simplify  $(3a^2)^3$ , leaving your answer in index form. (2 marks)

**Q7.** Simplify  $((x^3)^2 \times x^4) / x^5$ . (3 marks)

**Q8.** Explain the difference between  $(a^m)^n$  and  $a^m \times a^n$ , using numerical examples to illustrate.  
(3 marks)

### Key Formulas

- Write any formulas you need here.