

**Concept and Vocabulary Check:**

1. The quotient rule for exponents states that  $\frac{b^m}{b^n} = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ ,  $b \neq 0$ . When dividing exponential expressions with the same nonzero base,  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  the exponents.

2. If  $b \neq 0$ , then  $b^0 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

3. The quotients-to-powers rule for exponents states that  $\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^n = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ ,  $b \neq 0$ . When a quotient is raised to a power, raise both the  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  and the  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  to the power.

4. To divide monomials,  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  the coefficients and  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  the exponents.

5. Consider the division problem:

$$\frac{20x^6y^4}{10x^2y} = 2x^4y^3.$$

The polynomial in the numerator,  $20x^6y^4$ , is called the  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ . The polynomial in the denominator,  $10x^2y$ , is called the  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ . The simplified expression on the right side of the equal sign,  $2x^4y^3$ , is called the  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

6. To check the answer to a division problem, multiply the  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  and the  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ . If this product is the  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ , the answer is correct.

7. To perform the division  $\frac{20x^8 - 10x^4 + 6x^3}{2x^3}$ , divide each term of  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$  by  $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ .

### Practice Exercises:

In Exercises 1, 3, 5 and 9, divide each expression using the quotient rule. Express any numerical answers in exponential form.

1.  $\frac{3^{20}}{3^5}$

5.  $\frac{y^{13}}{y^5}$

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

9.  $\frac{x^{100}y^{50}}{x^{25}y^{10}}$

In exercises 13 - 23, use the zero exponent rule to simplify each expression.

13.  $(-2)^0$

19.  $(100y)^0$

15.  $-2^0$

23.  $-\pi^0 - (-\pi)^0$

In 25 - 51, simplify and/or divide as necessary.

25.  $\left(\frac{x}{3}\right)^2$

39.  $\frac{-8x^{22}}{4x^2}$

29.  $\left(\frac{2x^3}{5}\right)^2$

45.  $\frac{30x^7y^5}{5x^2y}$

35.  $\left(\frac{x^2y^3}{2z}\right)^4$

51.  $\frac{-5x^{10}y^{12}z^6}{50x^2y^3z^2}$

In exercises 53 - 81, divide the polynomial by the monomial. Check each answer by showing that the product of the divisor and the quotient is the dividend.

$$53. \frac{10x^4 + 2x^3}{2}$$

$$69. \frac{8x^3 + 6x^2 - 2x}{2x}$$

$$57. \frac{y^7 - 9y^2 + y}{y}$$

$$73. \frac{18x^7 - 9x^6 + 20x^5 - 10x^4}{-2x^4}$$

$$61. \frac{18x^5 + 6x^4 + 9x^3}{3x^2}$$

$$77. \frac{20x^7y^4 - 15x^3y^2 - 10x^2y}{-5x^2y}$$

$$65. (4x^2 - 6x) \div x$$

$$81. \left( \frac{18x^2y^4}{9xy^2} \right) - \left( \frac{15x^5y^6}{5x^4y^4} \right)$$

## Applications:

87. The bar graphs (in the book on page 383) show U.S. film box office receipts, in millions of dollars, and box-office admissions, in millions of tickets sold, for five selected years. The following polynomial models of degree 2 can be used to describe the data in the bar graphs on the previous page.

$$R = 3.6x^2 + 158x + 2790$$

$$A = -0.2x^2 + 21x + 1015$$

where  $R$  is receipts, in millions of dollars,  $x$  represents the number of years after 1980 and  $A$  is admissions, in millions of tickets sold.

- Use the data displayed by the bar graphs in the book to find the average admission charge for a film ticket in 2000. Round to two decimal places, or to the nearest cent.
- Use the models to write an algebraic expression that describes the average admission charge for a film ticket  $x$  years after 1980.
- Use the model from part (b) to find the average admission charge for a film ticket in 2000. Round to the nearest cent. Does the model underestimate or overestimate the actual average charge that you found in part (a)? By how much?
- Can the polynomial division for the model in part (b) be performed using the methods that you learned in this section? Explain your answer.