

W5 – 7.4 – Solving Logarithmic Equations

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1) Find the roots of each equation

a) $2 = \log(x + 25)$

b) $1 - \log(w - 7) = 0$

c) $6 - 3 \log(2n) = 0$

2) Solve

a) $5 = \log_2(2x - 10)$

b) $9 = \log_5(x + 100) + 6$

c) $\log_3(n^2 - 3n + 5) = 2$

3) Solve. Make sure to reject any extraneous roots.

a) $\log x + \log(x - 4) = 1$

b) $\log x^3 - \log 2 = \log(2x^2)$

$$\text{c)} \log(v - 1) = 2 + \log(v - 16)$$

$$\text{d)} \log(k + 2) + \log(k - 1) = 1$$

4) Solve. Check for extraneous roots.

$$\text{a)} \log \sqrt{x^2 - 3x} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{b)} \log \sqrt{x^2 + 48x} = 1$$

5) Solve. Check for extraneous roots.

$$\text{a)} \log_2(x + 5) - \log_2(2x) = 8$$

$$\text{b)} \log(2k + 4) = 1 + \log k$$

ANSWER KEY

$$1)\text{a)} 75 \text{ b)} 17 \text{ c)} 50$$

$$2)\text{a)} 21 \text{ b)} 25 \text{ c)} 4, -1$$

$$3)\text{a)} 2 + \sqrt{14} \text{ b)} 4 \text{ c)} \frac{533}{33} \text{ d)} 3$$

$$4)\text{a)} 5, -2 \text{ b)} -50, 2$$

$$5)\text{a)} \frac{5}{511} \text{ b)} \frac{1}{2}$$