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QUESTION 1

Convert each of the following to logarithmic form.

(a) $x^{2y} = 4$

(b) $5^x = 12$

(c) $(4x)^{5-p} = a$

QUESTION 2

Solve each of the following equations.

(a) $\ln 4x = 5$

(b) $\log_x 16 = 4$

(c) $\ln(3x) = 6$

(d) $\log_k 81 = 2$

QUESTION 3

Simplify $\lg_6 2 + \lg_6 3$ if possible.

QUESTION 4

Simplify $\log_5 25 - \log_5 5$ if possible.

QUESTION 5

Evaluate each of the following without using the calculator.

(a) $\log_8 64$

(b) $\log_2 \sqrt{4} + \log_2 \sqrt{3} - \log_2 \sqrt{6}$

QUESTION 6

(a) Given that $p = \log_a 9$, find $\log_3 a$ in terms of p .(b) If $p = \lg 14$, $\log_{14} 1\frac{2}{5}$ in terms of p .

QUESTION 7

Solve the simultaneous equations.

$$\log_4 x - \log_2 y = 2$$

$$3^x = 81 \left(9^{\frac{3}{2}-3y} \right)$$

QUESTION 8

The mass, m grams, of a radioactive substance, present at time t days after first being observed, is given by the formula $m = 28e^{-0.00072t}$.

- (a) Find the value of m when $t = 20$.
- (b) Find the value of t when the mass is half of its value at $t = 0$.
- (c) State the value which m approaches as t becomes very large.
- (d) Sketch the graph of m against t .