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### 2.1 Exponents



- An exponent is used to simplify repeated multiplication.
- The operation is called exponentiation.

| Examples |  |
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| Repeated multiplication = expanded form | Exponent form = exponentiation |
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- There are two special exponents that have their own name:

| The exponent of 2 | The exponent of 3 |
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| Square | Cube |
| $x^{2}$ | $x^{3}$ |
| We say: |  |
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- If a number or a variable does not have an exponent written down, the exponent is $\qquad$

Practice:

1. Circle the base in each expression.

| 1 | $5^{4}$ | 6 | $x^{2}$ |
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| 2 | $(-2)^{4}$ | 7 |  |
| 3 | $-9^{2}$ | 8 | $x^{10}$ |
| 4 | $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{5}$ | 9 | $\left(\frac{x}{5}\right)^{6}$ |
| 5 | $\frac{4^{3}}{5}$ | 10 | $-(-3)^{8}$ |

2. Write the expression in English.

| $5^{2}$ |  |
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| $2^{3}$ |  |
| $4^{9}$ |  |
| $10^{11}$ |  |
| $3^{1}$ |  |

3. Write in expended form.

| $6^{2}$ |  |
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| $(-4)^{3}$ |  |
| $x^{6}$ |  |
| $-10^{5}$ |  |
| 10 |  |

4. Evaluate using your calculator.

| $2^{9}$ | $3^{3}$ | $(-4)^{2}$ | $(-1)^{2}$ | $(-6)^{0}$ | $-15^{2}$ |
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## Perfect Squares $=$ Square Numbers

- Non-negative integers that are the result of a integer being squared.

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