

Main Ideas/Questions	Notes/Examples	
<p><b>WARM-UP</b> Using a common base to solve an exponential equation.</p>	<b>Directions:</b> Solve the equations below using a common base.	
	1. $5^{n+10} = 25$	2. $9^{a+2} = 27^{4a-2}$
<p>What if a common base is NOT possible?</p>	① <b>ISOLATE</b> the exponential expression.	
	② <b>TAKE THE LOG</b> of <b>both sides</b> .	
	③ You may need to <b>EXPAND</b> the log. (Use the Power Rule)	
	④ <b>SOLVE</b> and <b>CHECK FOR EXTRANEOUS SOLUTIONS</b> .	
	*Rounded answers may not produce the exact same answer, but will be very close.	
<p><b>Examples</b></p>	3. $2^x = 61$	4. $8^{m-7} = 92$
	5. $4 \cdot 7^n = 148$	6. $4^{3w} - 5 = 3$

$$7. 7 - 4^{x+1} = 18$$

$$8. 10 \cdot 5^{3k-3} = 40$$

$$9. 4 \cdot 3^n + 15 = 359$$

$$10. -2 \cdot 5^p + 7 = -63$$

$$11. 5 \cdot 9^{v-1} + 1 = 181$$

$$12. 8 \cdot 11^{7k} - 3 = 213$$

$$13. 6 \cdot 16^{7y+2} - 2 = 82$$

$$14. 3 \cdot 8^{3-7n} + 10 = 94$$