

4. Average annual rainfall totals for cities in New York are listed below.

Rochester	0.97 meters
Ithaca	0.947 meters
Saratoga Springs	1.5 meters
New York City	1.268 meters

- a. Put the rainfall measurements in order from least to greatest. Write the smallest total rainfall in word form and expanded form.

0.947 m, 0.97 m, 1.268 m, 1.5 m
 nine hundred forty seven thousandths
 $9 \times \frac{1}{10} + 4 \times \frac{1}{100} + 7 \times \frac{1}{1000}$

- b. Round each of the rainfall totals to the nearest tenth.

$0.947 \approx 0.9$ $\uparrow 1.000$ $\uparrow 1.300$ $\uparrow 1.60$
 $0.97 \approx 1.0$ $\uparrow 0.950$ $\uparrow 1.268$ $\uparrow 1.55$
 $1.268 \approx 1.300$ $\uparrow 0.900$ $\uparrow 1.250$ $\uparrow 1.50$
 $1.5 \approx 1.5$ $\downarrow 0.900$ $\downarrow 1.200$ $\downarrow 1.50$

- c. Imagine New York City's rainfall is the same every year. How much rain would fall in 100 years?

$1.268 \text{ m} \times 100 = 126.8 \text{ m}$
 126.8 m would fall in 100 years.

- d. Write an equation using an exponent that would express the 100-year total rainfall. Explain how the digits have shifted position and why.

$1.268 \text{ m} \times 10^2 = 126.8 \text{ m}$
 Each digit shifts 2 places to the left when multiplying by 10^2 .
 The value of each digit becomes 100 times as large.