

Algebra 2 Bellwork Thursday, June 9, 2016

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ANSWERS

1. $5^x = 100$

$$x = \log_5 100 = \frac{\log 100}{\log 5} = 2.86$$

2. $9^{6x} + 19 = 104$

$$9^{6x} = 85$$

$$6x = \log_9 85$$

$$6x = \frac{\log 85}{\log 9}$$

$$x = \left(\frac{\log 85}{\log 9} \right) \div 6$$

$$x = 0.34$$

3. $\log_5(4x + 7) = 6$

$$5^6 = 4x + 7$$

$$15625 = 4x + 7$$

$$\frac{15618}{4} = \frac{4x}{4}$$

$$x = 3904.5$$

4. The population of a city in 2009 was 200,000. The population has been increasing 3.1% each year.

$$100 + 3.1 = 103.1\% \rightarrow b = 1.031$$

a) Find the number of years it will take the population of the city to reach 500,000. Round to the nearest hundredth.

$$\frac{500,000}{200,000} = \frac{200,000}{200,000} (1.031)^x$$

$$x = 30.01 \text{ yrs}$$

$$2.5 = 1.031^x$$

$$x = \log_{1.031} 2.5 = \frac{\log 2.5}{\log 1.031}$$

b) How many years ago was the population of the city 120,000? Round to the nearest hundredth.

$$\frac{120,000}{200,000} = \frac{200,000}{200,000} (1.031)^x$$

$$.6 = 1.031^x$$

$$x = \log_{1.031} .6$$

$$x = \frac{\log .6}{\log 1.031}$$

$$x = -16.73 \text{ years}$$

this is how many years ago