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WS P.3—Simplifying Expressions and Algebraic Gymnastics

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1. Find the exact value of each expression

(a) $\log_{10} 25 + \log_{10} 4$

$$\begin{aligned} &\log_{10} (25 \cdot 4) \\ &\log_{10} 100 \\ &\log_{10} 10^2 \\ &2 \end{aligned}$$

(b) $e^{4 \ln 2}$

$$\begin{aligned} &e^{\ln 2^4} \quad \text{or} \quad e^{\ln 2^4} \\ &e^{\ln 16} \quad \quad \quad 2^4 \\ &16 \quad \quad \quad 16 \end{aligned}$$

2. Solve each of the following equations for x . Find the simplified, exact value.

(a) $e^x = 3$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln(e^x) &= \ln 3 \\ x &= \ln 3 \end{aligned}$$

(b) $e^{e^x} = 3$

$$\begin{aligned} \ln e^{e^x} &= \ln 3 \\ e^x &= \ln 3 \\ \ln(e^x) &= \ln(\ln 3) \\ x &= \ln(\ln 3) \end{aligned}$$

(c) $\log_3(x+1) = 2$

$$\begin{aligned} 3^{\log_3(x+1)} &= 3^2 \\ x+1 &= 9 \\ x &= 8 \end{aligned}$$

Try out: $\log_3(8+1) = 2$

$$\begin{aligned} \log_3 9 &= 2 \\ \log_3 3^2 &= 2 \\ 2 &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

(d) $\log_3 27 = x$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= \log_3 3^3 \\ x &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Multiple Choice

C 3. Rationalize the numerator of $\frac{\sqrt{x+4} - \sqrt{x-2}}{x}$

- (A) $\frac{2}{x(\sqrt{x+4} + \sqrt{x-2})}$ (B) $\frac{6}{x(\sqrt{x+4} - \sqrt{x-2})}$ (C) $\frac{6}{x(\sqrt{x+4} + \sqrt{x-2})}$
- (D) $\frac{2x}{\sqrt{x+4} + \sqrt{x-2}}$ (E) $\frac{6x}{\sqrt{x+4} - \sqrt{x-2}}$

$$\frac{\sqrt{x+4} - \sqrt{x-2}}{x} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{x+4} + \sqrt{x-2}}{\sqrt{x+4} + \sqrt{x-2}}$$

$$\frac{(x+4) - (x-2)}{x(\sqrt{x+4} + \sqrt{x-2})}$$

$$\frac{x+4 - x+2}{x(\sqrt{x+4} + \sqrt{x-2})}$$

$$\frac{6}{x(\sqrt{x+4} + \sqrt{x-2})}$$

D 4. Which, if any, of the following statements are true when a, b are real numbers?

- I. For all positive a and b , ~~$\sqrt{a+b} = \sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}$~~ . *pos, neg, zero,*
- II. For all a and b , $\sqrt{(a+b)^2} = |a+b|$ ✓ *fractions, irrats*
- III. For all positive a and b , ~~$\frac{a-b}{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}} = \sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}$~~ .

- (A) III only (B) all of them (C) I and II only **(D) II only** (E) II and III only
 (F) none of them (G) I and III only (H) I only

$$\text{III. } \frac{a-b}{\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}} \cdot \frac{\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b}}{\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b}}$$

$$\frac{(a-b)(\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b})}{(a-b)}$$

$$\sqrt{a} - \sqrt{b} \neq \sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b}$$

C 5. Simplify the expression $\frac{1 + \frac{2}{x-3}}{5 + 40\left(\frac{x}{x^2-9}\right)}$

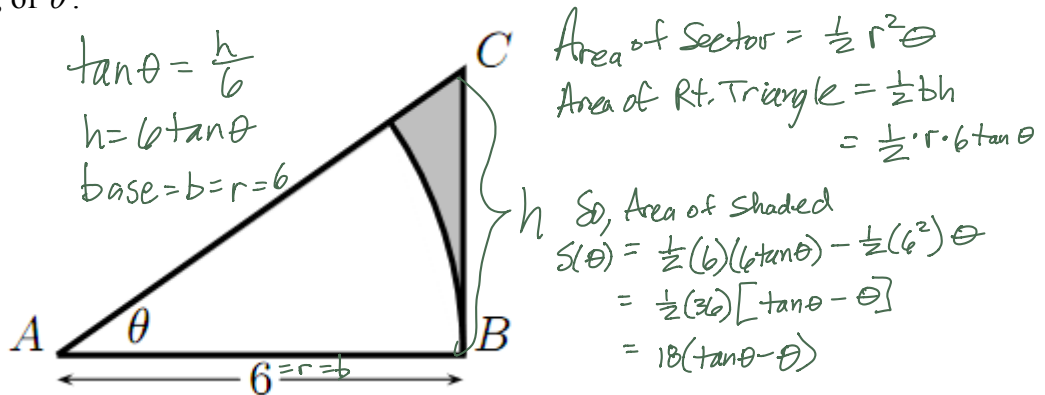
- (A) $\frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{x+3}{2x+9}\right)$ (B) $\frac{x+3}{x-9}$ **(C) $\frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{x+3}{x+9}\right)$** (D) $\frac{x+3}{2x-9}$ (E) $\frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{x-3}{x+9}\right)$ (F) $\frac{x-3}{x-9}$

$$\frac{1 + \frac{2}{x-3}}{5 + 40\left(\frac{x}{x^2-9}\right)} \cdot \frac{(x-3)(x+3)}{(x-3)(x+3)} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{LCM} \\ \text{LCM} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\frac{(x-3)(x+3) + 2(x+3)}{5(x-3)(x+3) + 40x} \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \frac{x^2 + 2x - 3}{5x^2 + 40x - 45} \\ \frac{(x+3)(x-1)}{5(x+9)(x-1)} \\ \frac{1}{5} \left(\frac{x+3}{x+9}\right) \end{array} \right.$$

$$\frac{x^2 - 9 + 2x + 6}{5x^2 - 45 + 40x}$$

E 6. The shaded area in the figure is the complement of the sector of a circle of radius 6 inches lying inside the right triangle $\triangle ABC$ with the angle θ being expressed in radians. Express this shaded area as a function of S , of θ .



- (A) $S(\theta) = 36(\tan \theta - \theta)$ (B) $S(\theta) = 36(\sin \theta - \theta)$ (C) $S(\theta) = 18(\sin \theta - \theta)$
 (D) $S(\theta) = 18(\cos \theta - \theta)$ **(E) $S(\theta) = 18(\tan \theta - \theta)$**

C 7. Which of the following statements are true?

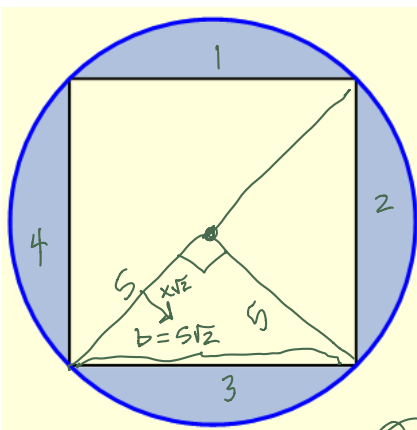
- I. The circle $(x-1)^2 + (y-2)^2 = 1$ has radius = 1 ✓
 - II. The circle $(x-5)^2 + (y-6)^2 = 9$ has center = ~~(6,5)~~ (5,6)
 - III. The circle $(x-4)^2 + (y-4)^2 = 25$ has y-intercepts = 1, 7 ✓
- (A) I only (B) II only (C) I and III only (D) III only (E) II and III only
 (F) none of them (G) all of them (H) I and II only

Circles: $(x-h)^2 + (y-k)^2 = r^2$
 Center @ (h, k), radius = r

III. y-int: Let $x=0$
 $(-4)^2 + (y-4)^2 = 25$
 $(y-4)^2 = 25 - 16$
 $y-4 = \pm\sqrt{9}$
 $y = 4+3, y = 4-3$
 $y = 7, y = 1$

C 8. Find the area of the shaded region shown outside the square and inside the circle when the area of the circle is 25π sq. units.

Area of Circle = πr^2
 $\therefore \pi r^2 = 25\pi$
 $r = 5$
 Area of Square
 $= (5\sqrt{2})^2$
 $= 25 \cdot 2$
 $= 50$



$\sqrt{2}x$
 x
 Area of blue
 $= 25\pi - 50$
 $= 25(\pi - 2)$

- (A) $5(4-\pi)$ sq. units (B) $5(\pi-1)$ sq. units (C) $25(\pi-2)$ sq. units
 (D) $5(\pi-2)$ sq. units (E) $25(\pi-1)$ sq. units (F) $25(4-\pi)$ sq. units

B 9. Simplify the difference quotient $\frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}$, ($h \neq 0$), when $f(x) = 2x^2 - 4x - 4$.

- (A) $4x+4+2h$ (B) $4x-4+2h$ (C) $2x+4+2h$ (D) $2x-4+2h$ (E) $4x-4$

$$\frac{[2(x+h)^2 - 4(x+h) - 4] - [2x^2 - 4x - 4]}{h}$$

$$\frac{2x^2 + 4xh + 2h^2 - 4x - 4h - 4 - 2x^2 + 4x + 4}{h}$$

$$\frac{h(4x + 2h - 4)}{h}$$

$$4x + 2h - 4$$

$$4x - 4 + 2h$$

E 10. Captain Calculus can leap over tall buildings. When he does so, his height s (in feet) off the ground after t seconds is given by $s(t) = -t^2 + 7t + 34$. For how many seconds is Captain Calculus more than 40 feet off the ground?

- (A) 6 sec (B) $\frac{9}{2}$ sec (C) $\frac{11}{2}$ sec (D) $\frac{5}{2}$ sec (E) 5 sec

$$-t^2 + 7t + 34 = 40$$

$$0 = t^2 - 7t + 6$$

$$(t-1)(t-6) = 0$$

$$t = 1, t = 6$$

So, he is above 40 ft for $(6-1) = 5$ seconds

D 11. If $f(x) = 2x - 1$ and $g(x) = x + 3$, which of the following gives $(f \circ g)(2)$?

- (A) 2 (B) 6 (C) 7 (D) 9 (E) 10

$$\begin{array}{l} f(g(2)) \\ f(2+3) \\ f(5) \\ 2(5) - 1 \end{array} \left| \begin{array}{l} 10 - 1 \\ 9 \end{array} \right.$$

D 12. Which of the following is a solution of the equation $2 - 3^x = -1$?

- (A) $x = -2$ (B) $x = -1$ (C) $x = 0$ (D) $x = 1$ (E) No solution

$$2 + 1 = 3^x$$

$$3 = 3^x$$

$$\log_3 3 = \log_3 3^x$$

$$x = 1$$

C 13. The length L of a rectangle is twice as long as its width W . Which of the following gives the area A of the rectangle as a function of its width?

- (A) $A(W) = 3W$ (B) $A(W) = \frac{1}{2}W^2$ (C) $A(W) = 2W^2$
 (D) $A(W) = W^2 + 2W$ (E) $A(W) = W^2 - 2W$



B 14. If $p(x) = (x+2)(x+k)$ and if the remainder is 12 when $p(x)$ is divided by $x-1$, then $k =$

- (A) 2 (B) 3 (C) 6 (D) 11 (E) 13

So, by Remainder Theorem

$$p(1) = 12$$

$$(1+2)(1+k) = 12$$

$$3(1+k) = 12$$

$$1+k = 4$$

$$k = 3$$

or $p(x) = x^2 + 2x + kx + 2k$
 $= x^2 + (2+k)x + 2k$
 by Synthetic Sub

1	2+k	2k
1	1	3+k
1	3+k	3+3k

So, $3+3k = 12$
 $3k = 9$
 $k = 3$

E 15. The set of all points (e^t, t) , where t is a real number, is the graph of $y =$

- (A) $\frac{1}{e^x}$ (B) $e^{1/x}$ (C) $xe^{1/x}$ (D) $\frac{1}{\ln x}$ (E) $\ln x$

So, inverse is (t, e^t)

$$f^{-1} = y = e^t$$

find inverse of this inverse to get $f(t)$

$$t = e^y$$

$$\ln t = \ln e^y$$

$$y = \ln t$$

So, $f(t) = \ln t$
 or $f(x) = \ln x$

A 16. If $f(x) = \frac{4}{x-1}$ and $g(x) = 2x$, then the solutions of $f(g(x)) = g(f(x))$ is

- (A) $\left\{\frac{1}{3}\right\}$ (B) $\{2\}$ (C) $\{3\}$ (D) $\{-1, 2\}$ (E) $\left\{\frac{1}{3}, 2\right\}$

$$f(g(x)) = g(f(x))$$

$$\frac{4}{2x-1} = 2\left(\frac{4}{x-1}\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{2x-1} = \frac{2}{x-1}$$

$$\frac{1}{2x-1} - \frac{2}{x-1} = 0$$

$$\frac{(x-1) - 2(2x-1)}{(2x-1)(x-1)} = 0$$

$$\frac{x-1-4x+2}{(2x-1)(x-1)} = 0$$

$$\frac{-3x+1}{(2x-1)(x-1)} = 0$$

So, $-3x+1 = 0, x \neq \frac{1}{2}, 1$
 $3x = 1$
 $x = \frac{1}{3}$

E 17. If the function f is defined by $f(x) = x^5 - 1$, then f^{-1} , the inverse function of f , is defined by

$f^{-1}(x) =$

- (A) $\frac{1}{\sqrt[5]{x+1}}$ (B) $\frac{1}{\sqrt[5]{x-1}}$ (C) $\sqrt[5]{x-1}$ (D) $\sqrt[5]{x} - 1$ (E) $\sqrt[5]{x+1}$

so,
 $y = x^5 - 1$
 $x = y^5 - 1$
 $y^5 = x + 1$
 $y = \sqrt[5]{x+1}$

B 18. If a, b, c, d , and e are real numbers and $a \neq 0$, then the polynomial equation

$ax^7 + bx^5 + cx^3 + dx + e = 0$ has


- (A) only one real root (B) at least one real root (C) an odd number of nonreal roots
 (D) no real roots (E) no positive real roots

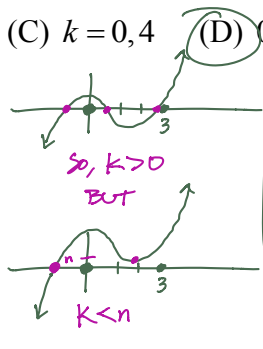
odd-degree functions have opposite end behaviors and are continuous $\forall \mathbb{R}$, so they must cross the x -axis at least once.

D 19. What are all values of k for which the graph of $y = x^3 - 3x^2 + k$ will have three distinct x -intercepts?

- (A) All $k > 0$ (B) All $k < 4$ (C) $k = 0, 4$ (D) $0 < k < 4$ (E) All k

$x^3 - 3x^2 + k = 0$
 if $k=0$: $x^3 - 3x^2 = 0$
 $x^2(x-3) = 0$
 $x=0(m2), x=3(m1)$





based on the answer choices, (& w/o Calculus)
 $n=4$
 so, $0 < k < 4$

E 20. If $f(g(x)) = x^3 + 3x^2 + 4x + 5$ and $g(x) = 5$, then $g(f(x)) =$

- (A) $5x^2 + 15x + 25$ (B) $5x^3 + 15x^2 + 20x + 25$ (C) 1125 (D) 225 (E) 5

if $g(x) = 5$
 then $g(f(x)) = 5$

- C 21. If $f(x) = 2x^3 + Ax^2 + Bx - 5$ and if $f(2) = 3$ and $f(-2) = -37$, what is the value of $A + B$?
 (A) -6 (B) -3 (C) -1 (D) 2 (E) It cannot be determined from the information given

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(2) &= 2(8) + 4A + 2B - 5 = 3 \\
 f(-2) &= 2(-8) + 4A - 2B - 5 = -37 \\
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 \text{Add: } &0 + 8A + 0 - 10 = -34 \\
 &8A = -24 \\
 &A = -3
 \end{aligned}$$

Plug in: 16 + 4(-3) + 2B - 5 = 3
 16 - 12 - 5 + 2B = 3
 -1 + 2B = 3
 2B = 4
 B = 2
 So, A + B = -3 + 2 = -1

- D 22. Suppose that f is a function that is defined for all real numbers. Which of the following conditions assures that f has an inverse function?

- (A) The function f is periodic (B) The function f is symmetric with respect to the y -axis
 (C) The function f is concave up (D) The function f is a strictly increasing function
 (E) The function f is continuous

passes horizontal (& vertical) line test.

- D 23. If $\log_a(2^a) = \frac{a}{4}$, then $a =$
 (A) 2 (B) 4 (C) 8 (D) 16 (E) 32

$$\begin{aligned}
 \log_a(2^a) &= \frac{a}{4} \\
 a \cdot \log_a 2 &= \frac{a}{4} \\
 \log_a 2 &= \frac{1}{4}, a \neq 0 \\
 a \log_a 2 &= a^{\frac{1}{4}} \\
 2 &= a^{\frac{1}{4}} \\
 2^4 &= (a^{\frac{1}{4}})^4 \\
 & \left. \begin{array}{l} a = 2^4 \\ a = 16 \end{array} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

- C 24. If $f(g(x)) = \ln(x^2 + 4)$, $f(x) = \ln(x^2)$, and $g(x) > 0$ for all real x , then $g(x) =$
 (A) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + 4}}$ (B) $\frac{1}{x^2 + 4}$ (C) $\sqrt{x^2 + 4}$ (D) $x^2 + 4$ (E) $x + 2$

$$\begin{aligned}
 f(x) &= \ln(x^2) \\
 f(g(x)) &= \ln(g(x)^2) \\
 \text{So } (g(x))^2 &= x^2 + 4 \\
 g(x) &= \sqrt{x^2 + 4}
 \end{aligned}$$

- C 25. If $\ln x - \ln\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) = 2$, then $x =$ $x > 0$
 (A) $\frac{1}{e^2}$ (B) $\frac{1}{e}$ (C) e (D) $2e$ (E) e^2

$$\begin{aligned} \ln\left(\frac{x}{\frac{1}{x}}\right) &= 2 \\ \ln x^2 &= 2 \\ 2 \ln x &= 2, x > 0 \\ \ln x &= 1 \\ e^{\ln x} &= e^1 \\ x &= e \end{aligned}$$

- C 26. If $f(x) = \frac{x}{x+1}$, then the inverse function, f^{-1} , is given by $f^{-1}(x) =$
 (A) $\frac{x-1}{x}$ (B) $\frac{x+1}{x}$ (C) $\frac{x}{1-x}$ (D) $\frac{x}{x+1}$ (E) x

$$\begin{aligned} y &= \frac{x}{x+1} \\ \text{So, } x &= \frac{y}{y+1} \\ (y+1)x &= y \\ xy + x &= y \\ xy - y &= -x \\ y(x-1) &= -x \\ y &= \frac{-x}{x-1} \\ &= -\frac{x}{x-1} \\ &= \frac{x}{-(x-1)} \\ y &= \frac{x}{1-x} \\ \text{So, } f^{-1}(x) &= \frac{x}{1-x} \end{aligned}$$

27. If $f(x) = e^x \sin x$, then the number of zeros of f on the closed interval $[0, 2\pi]$ is
 (A) 0 (B) 1 (C) 2 (D) 3 (E) 4

$$\begin{aligned} e^x \sin x &= 0 \\ e^x = 0 &\text{ or } \sin x = 0 \\ \text{No solution} & \quad x = 0, \pi, 2\pi \\ & \quad \quad \quad 3 \text{ zeros} \end{aligned}$$

- E 28. If h is the function given by $h(x) = f(g(x))$, where $f(x) = 3x^2 - 1$ and $g(x) = |x|$, then $h(x) =$
 (A) $3x^3 - |x|$ (B) $|3x^2 - 1|$ (C) $3x^2|x| - 1$ (D) $3|x| - 1$ (E) $3x^2 - 1$

$$\begin{aligned} h(x) &= f(g(x)) \\ &= 3(|x|)^2 - 1 \\ &= \begin{cases} 3(-x)^2 - 1 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 3(x)^2 - 1 & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases} \\ &= 3x^2 - 1 \end{aligned}$$

E 29. If $e^{g(x)} = \frac{x^x}{x^2-1}$, then $g(x) =$

- (A) $x \ln x - 2x$ (B) $\frac{\ln x}{2}$ (C) $(x-2) \ln x$ (D) $\frac{x \ln x}{\ln(x^2-1)}$ (E) $x \ln x - \ln(x^2-1)$

$$e^{g(x)} = \frac{x^x}{x^2-1}$$

$$\ln e^{g(x)} = \ln\left(\frac{x^x}{x^2-1}\right)$$

$$g(x) = \ln x^x - \ln(x^2-1)$$

$$g(x) = x \ln x - \ln(x^2-1)$$

D 30. $\frac{\ln(x^3 e^x)}{x} =$

- (A) $\frac{3(\ln x + e^x)}{x}$ (B) $\ln(x^3 e^x - x)$ (C) $\ln x^2 + 1$ (D) $\frac{3 \ln x + x}{x}$ (E) $\frac{3 \ln x}{x}$

$$\frac{\ln(x^3 e^x)}{x} = \frac{3 \ln x + x \ln e}{x} = \frac{3 \ln x + x}{x}$$

C 31. If $f(g(x)) = \sec(x^3 + 4)$, $f(x) = \sec x^3$, and $g(x)$ is **not** an integer multiple of $\frac{\pi}{2}$, then $g(x) =$

- (A) $\sqrt[3]{x+4}$ (B) $\sqrt[3]{x-4}$ (C) $\sqrt[3]{x^3+4}$ (D) $\sqrt[3]{x}-4$ (E) $\sqrt[3]{x}+4$

$$f(x) = \sec(x^3)$$

$$f(g(x)) = \sec((g(x))^3)$$

$$\text{so, } (g(x))^3 = x^3 + 4$$

$$g(x) = \sqrt[3]{x^3 + 4}$$

C 32. If $f(x) = \log_b x$, then $f(bx) =$

- (A) $bf(x)$ (B) $f(b)f(x)$ (C) $1+f(x)$ (D) $xf(b)$ (E) $f(x)$

$$f(x) = \log_b x$$

$$f(bx) = \log_b bx$$

$$= \log_b b + \log_b x$$

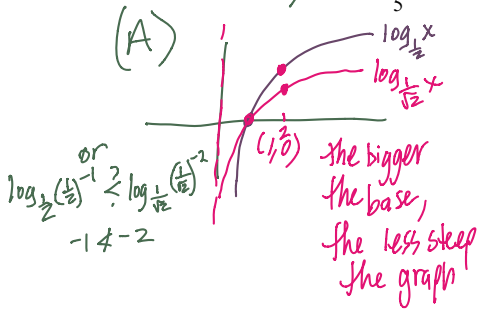
$$= 1 + \log_b x$$

$$= 1 + f(x)$$

None of these are True 33. Which of the following statements is true?

~~(A)~~ $\log_{\frac{1}{2}} 2 < \log_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}} 2$ ~~(B)~~ $\log_3(2+4) = \log_3 2 + \log_3 4$ ~~(C)~~ $\log 2 > \log 4$

~~(D)~~ $\log_{\frac{1}{5}}(5\sqrt{5}) = \frac{2}{3}$ ~~(E)~~ $\log_{\frac{1}{2}} 2 - \log_{\frac{1}{2}} 4 = \log_{\frac{1}{2}} 2$



(B) $\log_3(2+4) \stackrel{?}{=} \log_3 2 + \log_3 4$
 $\log_3 6 \stackrel{?}{=} \log_3(2 \cdot 4)$
 $\log_3 6 \stackrel{?}{=} \log_3 8$
 $6 \neq 8$

(C) $\log_{10} 2 \stackrel{?}{=} \log_{10} 4$
 $\log_{10} 2 \stackrel{?}{=} \log_{10} 2^2$
 $\log_{10} 2 \stackrel{?}{=} 2 \log_{10} 2$
 $1 \neq 2, \log_{10} 2 > 0$

(D) $\log_{\frac{1}{5}} 5 \cdot 5^{4/2} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{2}{3}$
 $\log_{\frac{1}{5}} 5 \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{2}{3}$
 $\log_{\frac{1}{5}} (5)^{-2} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{2}{3}$
 $-\frac{2}{3} \neq \frac{2}{3}$

(E) $\log_{\frac{1}{2}} 2 - \log_{\frac{1}{2}} 4 \stackrel{?}{=} \log_{\frac{1}{2}} 2$
 $\log_{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\frac{2}{4}\right) \stackrel{?}{=} \log_{\frac{1}{2}} 2$
 $\frac{2}{4} \stackrel{?}{=} 2$
 $\frac{1}{2} \neq 2$