

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{24} \log 75 &= \log 5 \cdot 15 \\ &= \log 5 + \log 15 \\ &= 0.699 + 1.176 \\ &= \boxed{1.875} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{26} \log \frac{1}{5} &= \log 5^{-1} \\ &= -1 \cdot \log 5 \\ &= -1 \cdot 0.699 \\ &= \boxed{-0.699} \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{36} \log_6 \frac{10}{3}$$

$$= \boxed{\log_6 10 - \log_6 3}$$

$$\textcircled{44} \log \sqrt[4]{x^3} = \log x^{\frac{3}{4}}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{3}{4} \log x}$$

The calculator only uses a **base of 10** for logarithms. So when we have a logarithm with any other base, we need another way to evaluate it.

CHANGE OF BASE FORMULA

For any positive real numbers $a \neq 1$, $b \neq 1$, and $x > 0$:

$$\log_b x = \frac{\log_a x}{\log_a b}$$

numerator

denominator



Examples
Evaluate each.

Round to the thousandths.

$$14. \log_7 32 = \frac{\log_{10} 32}{\log_{10} 7} \approx 1.781$$

$$15. \log_{15} 6 = \frac{\log_{10} 6}{\log_{10} 15} \approx 0.662$$

$$16. \log_{\frac{1}{4}} 20 = \frac{\log_{10} 20}{\log_{10} \frac{1}{4}} \approx -2.161$$

