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LESSON

## Practice A

For use with the lesson "Define and Use Zero and Negative Exponents"

## Match the equivalent expressions.

1. $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{-2}$
2. $2^{-2} \cdot 3^{-2}$
3. $\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{-2}$
A. $\frac{1}{36}$
B. $\frac{4}{9}$
C. $\frac{9}{4}$

## Evaluate the expression.

4. $5^{-3}$
5. $8^{-2}$
6. $2^{-5}$
7. $(-3)^{-4}$
8. $(-9)^{-1}$
9. $6^{0}$
10. $(-5)^{0}$
11. $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{0}$
12. $\left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^{-2}$
13. $\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^{-1}$
14. $\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^{-3}$
15. $0^{-2}$

Simplify the expression. Write your answer using only positive exponents.
16. $x^{-5}$
17. $m^{-9}$
18. $6 y^{-3}$
19. $8 a^{-10}$
20. $(3 b)^{-4}$
21. $x^{3} y^{-2}$
22. $x^{-4} y^{3}$
23. $a^{-1} b^{-2}$
24. $2 x^{-3} y^{1}$
25. Finger Thickness Your friend tells you that her finger is $\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)^{-1}$ inch thick. Evaluate the expression that represents the thickness of your friend's finger.
26. Floor Tile The minimum recommended width of the space between 6 -inch by 6 -inch tiles is $2^{-2}$ inch and the maximum recommended width is $2^{-1}$ inch. Simplify the expressions for the minimum and maximum widths of the space between the 6 -inch by 6 -inch floor tiles.
27. Hole Punch Your hole punch makes holes in your paper that have a diameter of $4^{-1}$ inch.
a. Write an expression for the area of one punched hole. Use the formula for the area of a circle $A=\pi r^{2}$.
b. Your hole punch makes three holes in a page. Write an expression for the total area punched out of one sheet of paper.

