

Example 1: Solve each equation.

a. $\log_3 x = 4$

b. $\ln x - \ln 2 = 0$

c. $\log_5 x = \frac{1}{2}$

d. $\ln x = \frac{2}{3}$

Example 2: Solve each logarithmic equation.

a. $\log_4(3x + 2) = \log_4(6 - x)$

b. $\log_3(5x + 13) - \log_3 6 = \log_3 3x$

Example 3: Solve each logarithmic equation.

a. $6 + 3\ln x = 4$

b. $7 + 3\ln x = 5$

Example 4: Solve the logarithmic equation.

$$3\log_4 6x = 9$$

Example 5: Solve and check for *extraneous solutions*.

a. $\log x + \log(x - 9) = 1$

b. $\log_4 x + \log_4(x - 1) = \frac{1}{2}$

Example 6: The number y of endangered animal species on a protected wildlife preserve from 1990 to 2004 can be modeled by $y = -117 + 159 \ln t$, $10 \leq t \leq 24$, where t represents the year, with $t = 10$ corresponding to 1990. During which year did the number of endangered animal species reach 342?