Practice

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Solving Exponential Equations

Use logarithms to solve each equation.

1.
$$3.5^x = 47.9$$

2.
$$8.2^{y} = 64.5$$

3.
$$7.2^{a-4} = 8.21$$

4.
$$2^{b+1} = 7.31$$

5.
$$y = \log_3 78.5$$

6.
$$k = \log_4 91.8$$

7.
$$4^{2x} = 9^{x-1}$$

8.
$$7^{3b} = 12^{b+2}$$

9.
$$17c^{\frac{2}{3}} = 44$$

10.
$$7x^{\frac{9}{8}} = 111$$

11.
$$5^{x^2-3} = 72$$

12.
$$\sqrt[4]{3^{4x+5}} = 7^x$$

Solve.

13. Jim wants to paint the walls of a room that is 15 feet wide and 20 feet long. The ceiling is 8 feet high. How many gallons of paint will he need if each gallon covers 350 square feet and he wants to give the room two coats of paint?