



Exponential Function Solution Equation - Decay (Continuous) Scenario to Rate

1

A bacteria population starts at 400. It declines continuously at a certain percent per year. After 5 years it has decreased to a population of 255 bacteria.

Rearrange the exponential equation to solve for for the rate given this scenario?

A	$r = -\frac{e^{\frac{255}{400}}}{5}$	B	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{400}{255}}{5}$
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C	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{255}{400}}{5}$		
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2

A radioactive material starts at an isotope concentration of 800ppm. It decays continuously at a certain percent per day. After 2 days it has decayed to an isotope concentration of 668ppm.

Rearrange the exponential equation to solve for for the rate of decay given this scenario?

A	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{800}{668}}{2}$	B	$r = -\frac{e^{\frac{668}{800}}}{2}$
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C	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{668}{800}}{2}$		
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3

A bacteria population starts at 200. It declines continuously at a certain percent per month. After 6 months it has decreased to a population of 131 bacteria.

Rearrange the exponential equation to solve for for the rate given this scenario?

A	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{131}{200}}{6}$	B	$r = -\frac{e^{\frac{131}{200}}}{6}$
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C	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{200}{131}}{6}$		
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4

A radioactive material starts at an isotope concentration of 300ppm. It decays continuously at a certain percent per hour. After 5 hours it has decayed to an isotope concentration of 191ppm.

Rearrange the exponential equation to solve for for the rate of decay given this scenario?

A	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{300}{191}}{5}$	B	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{191}{300}}{5}$
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5

A toxin starts at a concentration of 400mg/L. It declines continuously at a certain percent per hour. After 5 hours it has decreased to a concentration of 344mg/L.

Rearrange the exponential equation to solve for for the rate given this scenario?

A	$r = -\frac{e^{\frac{344}{400}}}{5}$	B	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{400}{344}}{5}$
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C	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{344}{400}}{5}$		
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6

A bird population starts at 200. It declines continuously at a certain percent per quarter. After 8 quarters it has decreased to a population of 123.

Rearrange the exponential equation to solve for for the rate given this scenario?

A	$r = -\frac{e^{\frac{123}{200}}}{8}$	B	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{123}{200}}{8}$
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C	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{200}{123}}{8}$		
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7

A bird population starts at 800. It declines continuously at a certain percent per quarter. After 9 quarters it has decreased to a population of 510.

Rearrange the exponential equation to solve for for the rate given this scenario?

A	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{510}{800}}{9}$	B	$r = -\frac{e^{\frac{510}{800}}}{9}$
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C	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{800}{510}}{9}$		
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8

A bacteria population starts at 200. It declines continuously at a certain percent per year. After 5 years it has decreased to a population of 134 bacteria.

Rearrange the exponential equation to solve for for the rate given this scenario?

A	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{134}{200}}{5}$	B	$r = -\frac{\ln \frac{200}{134}}{5}$
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C	$r = -\frac{e^{\frac{134}{200}}}{5}$		
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