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Simplifying Expressions with Rational Exponents

Simplify. Express your answer as positive exponents

$$1 \quad \frac{(a^{-\frac{3}{4}} b^3)^{\frac{1}{3}}}{(a^{-2} b^4)(a^{-2} b^4)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$2 \quad \frac{(2p^{\frac{2}{3}})^3}{(8p^{\frac{1}{6}})^2}$$

$$3 \quad (-32y^{10})^{\frac{1}{5}}$$

$$4 \quad \frac{3x^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 3x^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot y^{-\frac{1}{3}}}{3y^{-\frac{7}{4}}}$$

$$5 \quad \frac{a^{\frac{3}{4}} b^{-1} \cdot b^{\frac{7}{4}}}{3b^{-1}}$$

$$6 \quad \frac{(xy^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^{-\frac{1}{4}} y^2}$$

$$7 \quad \frac{(y^{-\frac{1}{2}})^{\frac{3}{2}}}{x^{\frac{3}{2}} y^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

$$8 \quad \frac{3y^{\frac{1}{4}}}{4x^{-\frac{2}{3}} \cdot y^{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot 3y^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

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Answers

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$$\frac{a^{\frac{11}{4}}}{b^5}$$

$$\frac{p^{\frac{5}{8}}}{8}$$

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$$4 \quad \frac{3x^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 3x^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot y^{-\frac{1}{3}}}{3y^{-\frac{7}{4}}}$$

$$-2y^2$$

$$3xy^{\frac{17}{12}}$$

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$$\frac{a^{\frac{3}{4}} b^{\frac{7}{4}}}{3}$$

$$\frac{x^{\frac{3}{4}}}{y}$$

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$$\frac{1}{y^{\frac{5}{4}} x^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

$$\frac{x^{\frac{2}{3}}}{4y^{\frac{7}{4}}}$$