

Key Concept and Vocabulary

A **cube root** of a number p is a number whose cube is equal to p .

$$\sqrt[3]{8} = 2$$

A **perfect cube** is a number that can be written as the cube of an integer.

$$\sqrt[3]{-8} = -2$$



Skill Examples

1. $\sqrt[3]{1000}$

Because $10^3 = 1000$, $\sqrt[3]{1000} = 10$.

2. $\sqrt[3]{-64}$

Because $(-4)^3 = -64$, $\sqrt[3]{-64} = -4$.

3. $\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{8}}$

Because $\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{8}$, $\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{8}} = \frac{1}{2}$.

Application Example

4. The volume of a cube-shaped container is 512 cubic inches. What is the edge length of the container?

$$V = s^3$$

$$512 = s^3$$

$$\sqrt[3]{512} = \sqrt[3]{s^3}$$

$$8 = s$$

The edge length of the container is 8 inches.



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Find the cube root.

5. $\sqrt[3]{27} = \underline{3}$

6. $\sqrt[3]{-1} = \underline{-1}$

7. $\sqrt[3]{343} = \underline{7}$

8. $\sqrt[3]{-125} = \underline{-5}$

9. $\sqrt[3]{216} = \underline{6}$

10. $\sqrt[3]{729} = \underline{9}$

11. $\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{27}} = \underline{\frac{1}{3}}$

12. $\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{1000}} = \underline{\frac{1}{10}}$

13. $\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{125}} = \underline{\frac{1}{5}}$

14. $\sqrt[3]{-\frac{1}{216}} = \underline{-\frac{1}{6}}$

15. $\sqrt[3]{\frac{8}{64}} = \underline{\frac{1}{2}}$

16. $\sqrt[3]{-\frac{27}{125}} = \underline{-\frac{3}{5}}$

Evaluate the expression.

17. $2\sqrt[3]{27} + 4 = \underline{10}$

18. $5 - \sqrt[3]{-8} = \underline{7}$

19. $\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{64}} + 6 = \underline{6\frac{1}{4}}$

20. $4\sqrt[3]{\frac{125}{8}} - 10 = \underline{0}$

21. $\frac{1}{3}(\sqrt[3]{729} - 3) = \underline{2}$

22. $10\left(\frac{1}{3} + \sqrt[3]{\frac{1000}{216}}\right) = \underline{20}$

23. **ROOM** The volume of a cube-shaped room is 729 cubic feet. You paint four walls of the room. How many square feet do you paint?

You paint 324 square feet.