## **Practice**

## Base e and Natural Logarithms

Use a calculator to evaluate each expression to four decimal places.

1. 
$$e^{1.5}$$

**4.** 
$$e^{-0.6}$$

**5.** 
$$e^{4.2}$$

7. 
$$e^{-2.5}$$

Write an equivalent exponential or logarithmic equation. 11.  $\ln 6 \approx 1.7918$ 

9. 
$$\ln 50 = x$$

10. 
$$\ln 36 = 2x$$

**11.** 
$$\ln 6 \approx 1.7918$$

**12.** 
$$\ln 9.3 \approx 2.2300$$

13. 
$$e^x = 8$$

**14.** 
$$e^5 = 10x$$

**15.** 
$$e^{-x} = 4$$

**16.** 
$$e^2 = x + 1$$

Evaluate each expression.

17. 
$$e^{\ln 12}$$

**18.** 
$$e^{\ln 3x}$$

**19.** 
$$\ln e^{-1}$$

**20.** 
$$\ln e^{-2y}$$

Solve each equation or inequality.

**21.** 
$$e^x < 9$$

**22.** 
$$e^{-x} = 31$$

**23.** 
$$e^x = 1.1$$

**24.** 
$$e^x = 5.8$$

**25.** 
$$2e^x - 3 = 1$$

**26.** 
$$5e^x + 1 \ge 7$$

**27.** 
$$4 + e^x = 19$$

**28.** 
$$-3e^x + 10 < 8$$

**29.** 
$$e^{3x} = 8$$

**30.** 
$$e^{-4x} = 5$$

**31.** 
$$e^{0.5x} = 6$$

32. 
$$2e^{5x} = 24$$

33. 
$$e^{2x} + 1 = 55$$

**34.** 
$$e^{3x} - 5 = 32$$

$$35.9 + e^{2x} = 10$$

**36.** 
$$e^{-3x} + 7 \ge 15$$

**37.** 
$$\ln 4x = 3$$

**38.** 
$$\ln(-2x) = 7$$

**39.** 
$$\ln 2.5x = 10$$

**40.** 
$$\ln(x-6)=1$$

**41.** 
$$\ln(x+2) = 3$$

**42.** 
$$\ln(x+3)=5$$

**43.** 
$$\ln 3x + \ln 2x = 9$$
 **44.**  $\ln 5x + \ln x = 7$ 

INVESTING For Exercises 45 and 46, use the formula for continuously compounded interest,  $A = Pe^{rt}$ , where P is the principal, r is the annual interest rate, and t is the time in years.

- 45. If Sarita deposits \$1000 in an account paying 3.4% annual interest compounded continuously, what is the balance in the account after 5 years?
- 46. How long will it take the balance in Sarita's account to reach \$2000?
- 47. RADIOACTIVE DECAY The amount of a radioactive substance y that remains after t years is given by the equation  $y = ae^{kt}$ , where a is the initial amount present and k is the decay constant for the radioactive substance. If a = 100, y = 50, and k = -0.035, find t.