Indices



Gold

- **a** Express 4^{5x+3} in the form 2^y , giving y in the form ax+b, where a and b are constants.
- **b** Solve the equation $3^{0.5x-1} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{81}$

Silver

Let $A = \frac{1}{5}x^2$ and $B = \sqrt{5}x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$. Simplify the following expressions fully.

- a A^2
- **b** Hence, or otherwise, find $(AB)^2$.

Bronze

- **a** Given that $5^x = 125$, find x.
- **b** Simplify the following expression fully.

$$x^2(5x^{-\frac{1}{2}})^3$$