

How to Solve: Last Two Digits of Power of 6

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Following is Covered in the Video

- Theory of Last Two Digits of Power of 6
- Find Units' digit of 6^{71} ?
- Find Units' digit of 6^{12517} ?

Theory of Last Two Digits of Power of 6

- To find Last Two Digits of any positive integer power of 6

We need to find the cycle of last two digits of power of 6

6^1 last two digits is 06	
6^2 last two digits is $06*6 = 36$	6^7 last two digits is $56*6 = 36$
6^3 last two digits is $36*6 = 16$	6^8 last two digits is $36*6 = 16$
6^4 last two digits is $16*6 = 96$	
6^5 last two digits is $96*6 = 76$	
6^6 last two digits is $76*6 = 56$	

=> The power repeats after every 5th power

=> **Cycle of last two digits of power of 6 = 5 (ignoring 6^1)**

=> We need to subtract one from the power and then divide the power by 5 and check the remainder

=> Last two digits will be same as last two digits of $6^{1+\text{Remainder}}$

NOTE: If Remainder is 0 then last two digits = last two digits of $6^{1+\text{Cycle}} = \text{last two digits of } 6^6 = 56$

Q1. Find Last two digits of 6^{71} ?

Sol: We need to subtract 1 from 71 and then divided the remaining power ($71-1=70$) by 5 and get the remainder

70 divided by 5 gives 0 remainder = remainder of 5

=> Last two digits of $6^{71} = \text{Last two digits of } 6^{1+5} = 56$

Q2. Find Last two digits of 6^{12517} ?

Sol: $12517 - 1 = 12516$

12516 divided by 5 will give the same remainder as 6 by 5 which is 1

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=> Last two digits of $6^{12517} = \text{Last two digits of } 6^{1+1} = 36$

Hope it helps!

[Link to Theory for Last Two digits of exponents here.](#)

[Link to Theory for Units' digit of exponents here.](#)