Read each problem **very carefully** before starting to solve it and do only what is asked. Each problem is worth around 5 points. It is necessary to show **all** your work. Correct answers without explanations are worth 0 points. GOOD LUCK!!

1. [4 points] Either expand or contract, as needed, (showing clearly all applications of rules involved) the following expressions.

(a)
$$\log\left(\frac{x^2(3x+5)}{\sqrt[3]{y}}\right) =$$

(b)
$$7 \ln x - \frac{1}{3} \ln (y+1) + 2 \ln (z+3) =$$

2. [8 points] Solve the following equations by hand (no decimals).

(a)
$$7e^{3x+1} - 9 = 19$$

(b)
$$5\log_3(2x+7) + 22 = 42$$

(c)
$$\log_2(x+5) - 3 = \log_2(x-1)$$