

**YOU & MATHS** **Radical simplification** Only one of the following radicals can be simplified.

Which one?

**A**  $\sqrt[27]{0,8}$

**C**  $\sqrt[6]{0,0008}$

**B**  $\sqrt[4]{0,016}$

**D**  $\sqrt[8]{1,69}$

$$\sqrt[27]{0,8} = \sqrt[27]{2^3 \cdot 10^{-1}}$$

$\sqrt[27]{2^3 \cdot 10^{-1}}$  cannot be simplified because the numbers 27, 3, -1 have greatest common divisor equal to 1. Therefore the radical  $\sqrt[27]{0,8}$  cannot be simplified.

$$\sqrt[4]{0,016} = \sqrt[4]{2^4 \cdot 10^{-3}}$$

$\sqrt[4]{2^4 \cdot 10^{-3}}$  cannot be simplified because the numbers 4, 4, -3 have greatest common divisor equal to 1. Therefore the radical  $\sqrt[4]{0,016}$  cannot be simplified.

$$\sqrt[6]{0,0008} = \sqrt[6]{2^3 \cdot 10^{-4}}$$

$\sqrt[6]{2^3 \cdot 10^{-4}}$  cannot be simplified because the numbers 6, 3, -4 have greatest common divisor equal to 1. Therefore the radical  $\sqrt[6]{0,0008}$  cannot be simplified.

$$\sqrt[8]{1,69} = \sqrt[8]{1,3^2} = \sqrt[4]{1,3}$$

So the correct answer is D.