

## EXPONENTIAL AND SCIENTIFIC NOTATION

### Let's Explore

**Exponential notation** is a shortened way of expressing a LARGE number using exponents.

**Actual number:**            **1,000,000**

**Exponential Notation:**     **$10^6$**

The 10 in  **$10^6$**  is called the base.

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$10^6 = 10 \times 10 \times 10 \times 10 \times 10 \times 10$  (ten to the power of 6)

$$10^6 = 1,000,000$$

**The exponential notation of 1,000,000 is  $10^6$ .**

## How to write a number in exponential notation:

### Example 1:

Take the number 10,000,000 for example:

- Put a decimal point to the right of the **1**.

**1.0000000**

- Next, count the number of zeroes to the right of the decimal point.

**1.0 0 0 0 0 0 0** has **7 zeroes**.

- The number of zeroes you count is the *exponent*.

**10,000,000 =  $10^7$**

- So:



### Example 2:

What if the

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- Put a

**6.0000**

- Next, count the number of zeroes to the right of the decimal point.

**6.0 0 0 0** has **4 zeroes**.

- The number of zeroes you count is the *exponent*.

**60,000 =  $6 \times 10^4$**

- So: **60,000** written in exponential notation is  **$6 \times 10^4$** .

**$10^4 = 10,000$  SO...**

**$6 \times 10^4 \rightarrow 6 \times 10,000 \rightarrow 6 \times 10,000 = 60,000$**