

LESSON
16

Solving Inequalities and Graphing Solutions

Review It!

When you solve inequalities and graph solutions, remember this word:

inequality a math sentence that uses $<$, $>$, \leq , or \geq to show that two quantities are not equal

Solve $x + 8 < 13$ and graph the solution.

Step 1 Solve the inequality.

$$x + 8 < 13$$

$$x + 8 - \underline{\hspace{1cm}} < 13 - \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

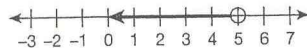
$$x < \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$$

REMEMBER Solve inequalities the same way you solve equations.

REMEMBER $<$ means "is less than."

Step 2 Graph the solution.

The solution is all numbers that are _____ than _____.



REMEMBER Graph an open circle at the endpoint of the solution set.

So, the graph of the solution $x < \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$ is a ray pointing _____ with an open circle at _____.

Try It!

Graph each inequality on the number line.

1. $x \geq -6$
2. $x \leq 7$
3. $x > -3$
4. $x < 1$

Solve each inequality.

5. $5x > -20$
6. $x - 8 < 12$
7. $x + 9 \geq 23$
8. $\frac{x}{3} \leq 19$
9. $6x - 1 \geq -19$
10. $2x + 7 \leq 39$

Solve each inequality and graph the solution.

11. $3x + 1 < 13$
12. $5x - 2 > -32$
13. $4x + 1 \geq -11$



1. How should you graph \geq ? open circle, or closed circle?

5. What is the first step? divide by 5, or add 20?

11. What shape is the solution? line, or ray?

Algebra

On Your Own!

Circle the answer for each question.

1. Solve: $x - 29 > 58$

- A. $x > 87$
- B. $x < 87$
- C. $x > 29$
- D. $x < 29$

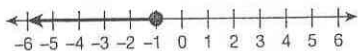
2. Solve: $4x \leq -48$

- A. $x \geq -52$
- B. $x \geq -12$
- C. $x \leq -12$
- D. $x \leq -52$

3. Solve: $2x + 19 \geq 51$

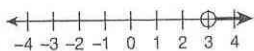
- A. $x \leq 35$
- B. $x \geq 35$
- C. $x \leq 16$
- D. $x \geq 16$

4. Which inequality is graphed below?



- A. $x < -1$
- B. $x \leq -1$
- C. $x \geq -1$
- D. $x > -1$

5. Which inequality is graphed below?



- A. $x > 3$
- B. $x \leq 3$
- C. $x \geq 3$
- D. $x < 3$

6. Which graph shows the solution of this inequality?

$3x + 9 < 21$

- A.
- B.
- C.
- D.

7. Which graph shows the solution of this inequality?

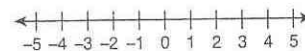
$2x - 1 \leq -15$

- A.
- B.
- C.
- D.

8. $9x - 13 < 23$

Part A Solve the inequality.

Part B Graph the solution.



Math Words

Fill in the blanks.

- 9. The graph of an inequality with $<$ or $>$ shows a ray with a(n) _____ circle.
- 10. The graph of an inequality with \leq or \geq shows a ray with a(n) _____ circle.
- 11. A math sentence that uses $<$, $>$, \leq , or \geq is a(n) _____.