

Inequalities

Inequality: "Not equal" $<$ $>$ \leq \geq

Solution to an Inequality: Any numbers that make it a true statement.
HINT: Replace the variable with the words "what numbers"

Symbol	Meaning	Solution
$x < 0$	Less than	
$x > 0$	Greater than	
$x \leq 0$	Less than <u>or</u> equal to.	
$x \geq 0$	Greater than <u>or</u> equal to.	

Pick the symbol that would be used to represent the following situations:

1. You can save up to \$12 on dog food this week.

(not more than \$12)

$$x \leq 12$$

2. You must be at least 42 inches to ride the carnival ride.

(the smallest is 42 in)

$$x \geq 42$$

3. The minimum speed limit on the freeway is 55 miles per hour (mph).

(55 is the slowest)

$$x \geq 55$$

4. There is a limit of 800 pounds on the rowboat.

(800 is the maximum)

$$x \leq 800$$

5. The maximum number of people allowed in the restaurant is 240.

(240 is the most people)

$$x \leq 240$$



Order Matters!

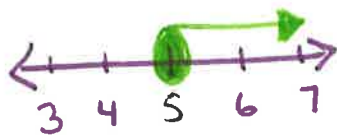
If you have to "flip-flop" the side of the inequality, you must "flip flop" the inequality symbol as well.

$$n < -12 \text{ is the same as } -12 > n$$

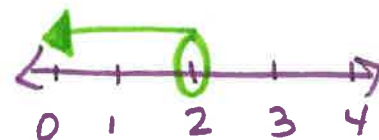
Solving an Inequality and Graphing the Solution

Solve the inequality and graph the solution:

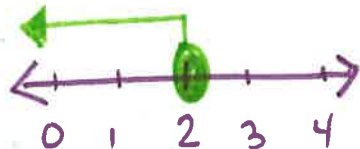
$$1. \begin{array}{r} m + 5 \geq 10 \\ -5 \quad -5 \\ \hline m \geq 5 \end{array}$$



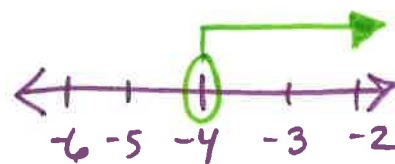
$$2. \begin{array}{r} -10 > x - 12 \\ +12 \quad +12 \\ \hline 2 > x \end{array}$$



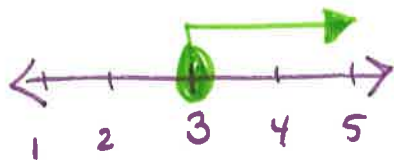
$$3. \begin{array}{r} x - 6 \leq -4 \\ +6 \quad +6 \\ \hline x \leq 2 \end{array}$$



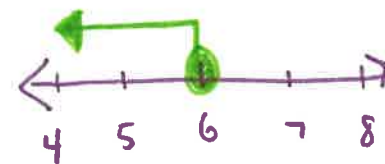
$$4. \begin{array}{r} -8 < -4 + x \\ +4 \quad +4 \\ \hline -4 < x \end{array}$$



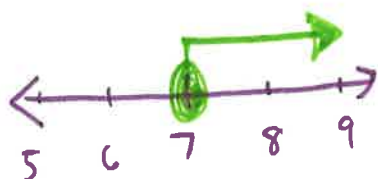
$$5. \begin{array}{r} -6 \leq x - 9 \\ +9 \quad +9 \\ \hline 3 \leq x \end{array}$$



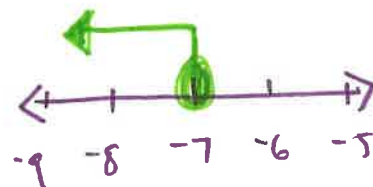
$$6. \begin{array}{r} 10 \geq y + 4 \\ -4 \quad -4 \\ \hline 6 \geq y \end{array}$$



$$7. \begin{array}{r} 5 + m \geq 12 \\ -5 \quad -5 \\ \hline m \geq 7 \end{array}$$



$$8. \begin{array}{r} v + 4 \leq -3 \\ -4 \quad -4 \\ \hline v \leq -7 \end{array}$$



Homework: p. 140 #7-10 (all), 12-20 (evens)

Adapted: