

**6-5 Solving Linear Inequalities**



Warm Up  
Lesson Presentation  
Lesson Quiz

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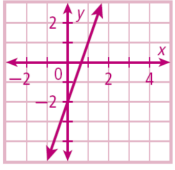
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**Warm Up**  
Graph each inequality.

1.  $x > -5$

3. Write  $-6x + 2y = -4$  in slope-intercept form, and graph.  
 $y = 3x - 2$



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**Objective**

Graph and solve linear inequalities in two variables.

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A **linear inequality** is similar to a linear equation, but the equal sign is replaced with an inequality symbol. A **solution of a linear inequality** is any ordered pair that makes the inequality true.

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**Example 1A: Identifying Solutions of Inequalities**

Tell whether the ordered pair is a solution of the inequality.

$(-2, 4); y < 2x + 1$

$y < 2x + 1$	
4	$2(-2) + 1$
4	$-4 + 1$
4	$< -3$

*Substitute (-2, 4) for (x, y).*

$(-2, 4)$  is not a solution.

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**Example 1B: Identifying Solutions of Inequalities**

Tell whether the ordered pair is a solution of the inequality.

$(3, 1); y > x - 4$

$y > x - 4$	
1	$3 - 4$
1	$> -1$

*Substitute (3, 1) for (x, y).*

$(3, 1)$  is a solution.

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**Check It Out! Example 1**

Tell whether the ordered pair is a solution of the inequality.

a.  $(4, 5); y < x + 1$

$$5 < 4 + 1$$

$$5 < 5$$

Not a solution

b.  $(1, 1); y > x - 7$

$$1 > 1 - 7$$

$$1 > -6 \checkmark$$

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When the inequality is written as  $y \leq$  or  $y \geq$ , the points on the boundary line are solutions of the inequality, and the line is **solid**.

When the inequality is written as  $y <$  or  $y >$ , the points on the boundary line are not solutions of the inequality, and the line is **dashed**.

When the inequality is written as  $y >$  or  $y \geq$ , the points **above** the boundary line are solutions of the inequality.

When the inequality is written as  $y <$  or  $y \leq$ , the points **below** the boundary line are solutions of the inequality.

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Graphing Linear Inequalities	
Step 1	Solve the inequality for $y$ (slope-intercept form).
Step 2	Graph the boundary line. Use a solid line for $\leq$ or $\geq$ . Use a dashed line for $<$ or $>$ .
Step 3	Shade above the line for $y >$ or $\geq$ . Shade below the line for $y <$ or $y \leq$ . Check an answer. $(0, 0)$ is a good one to check.

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**Example 2A: Graphing Linear Inequalities in Two Variables**

Graph the solutions of the linear inequality.

$$y \leq 2x - 3$$

$(0, 0)$   $-10 \leq 20 - 3$   
 $0 \leq 2(0) - 3$   $-10 \leq 17$   
 $0 < -3$

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**Example 2B: Graphing Linear Inequalities in Two Variables**

Graph the solutions of the linear inequality.

$$5x + 2y > -8$$

Step 1 Solve the inequality for  $y$ .

$$5x + 2y > -8$$

$$-5x \quad -5x$$

$$2y > -5x - 8$$

$$y > -\frac{5}{2}x - 4$$

Step 2 Graph the boundary line  $y = -\frac{5}{2}x - 4$ . Use a dashed line for  $>$ .

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**Example 2C: Graphing Linear Inequalities in two Variables**

Graph the solutions of the linear inequality.

$$4x - y + 2 \leq 0$$

Step 1 Solve the inequality for  $y$ .

$$4x - y + 2 \leq 0$$

$$-y \leq -4x - 2$$

$$-1 \quad -1$$

$$y \geq 4x + 2$$

Step 2 Graph the boundary line  $y \geq 4x + 2$ . Use a solid line for  $\geq$ .

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**Check It Out! Example 2a**

Graph the solutions of the linear inequality.

$$4x - 3y > 12$$

*Handwritten work:*

$$0 > 12$$

$$-4x \quad -4x$$

$$\frac{-3y}{-3} > \frac{-4x+12}{-3}$$

$$y < \frac{4}{3}x - 4$$

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**Check It Out! Example 2b**

Graph the solutions of the linear inequality.

$$2x - y - 4 > 0$$

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**Check It Out! Example 2c**

Graph the solutions of the linear inequality.

$$y \geq -\frac{2}{3}x + 1$$

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**Example 3a: Application**

Ada has at most 285 beads to make jewelry. A necklace requires 40 beads, and a bracelet requires 15 beads.

Write a linear inequality to describe the situation.

*Handwritten work:*

$$40n + 15b \leq 285$$

$n = \text{necklace}$   
 $b = \text{bracelet}$

$$40n \leq 285$$

$$n = 7.125$$

$$\frac{15b}{15} = \frac{285}{15}$$

$$b = 19$$

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**Example 3b**

b. Graph the solutions.

*Handwritten work:*

$$n = 7.125$$

$$b = 19$$

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**Check It Out! Example 3**

**What if...?** Dirk is going to bring two types of olives to the Honor Society induction and can spend no more than \$6. Green olives cost \$2 per pound and black olives cost \$2.50 per pound.

*Handwritten work:*

$$2g + 2.5b \leq 6$$

$g = \text{green}$   
 $b = \text{black}$

$$2g = 6$$

$$g = 3$$

$$\frac{2.5b}{2.5} = \frac{6}{2.5}$$

$$b = 2.4$$

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**Example 3c**

c. Give two combinations of necklaces and bracelets that Ada could make.

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**Check It Out! Example 3 Continued**

$y \leq -0.80x + 2.4$

$2g + 2.5b \leq 6$   
 $2(2)$   
 $4 + 2.5b \leq 6$

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**Check It Out! Example 3 Continued**

c. Give two combinations of olives that Dirk could buy.

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**Example 4A: Writing an Inequality from a Graph**

Write an inequality to represent the graph.

y-intercept: 1; slope:  $\frac{3}{4}$

Write an equation in slope-intercept form.

$y = mx + b \rightarrow y = \frac{3}{4}x + 1$

The graph is shaded *above* a *dashed* boundary line.

Replace = with > to write the inequality  $y > \frac{3}{4}x + 1$ .

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**Example 4B: Writing an Inequality from a Graph**

Write an inequality to represent the graph.

y-intercept: -5 slope:  $-\frac{1}{2}$

Write an equation in slope-intercept form.

$y = mx + b \rightarrow y = -\frac{1}{2}x - 5$

The graph is shaded *below* a *solid* boundary line.

Replace = with  $\leq$  to write the inequality  $y \leq -\frac{1}{2}x - 5$ .

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**Check It Out! Example 4a**

Write an inequality to represent the graph.

y-intercept: 0 slope: -1

Write an equation in slope-intercept form.

$y = mx + b \rightarrow y = -1x$

The graph is shaded *below* a *dashed* boundary line.

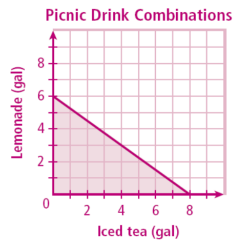
Replace = with < to write the inequality  $y < -x$ .

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**6-5 Solving Linear Inequalities****Lesson Quiz: Part I**

1. You can spend at most \$12.00 for drinks at a picnic. Iced tea costs \$1.50 a gallon, and lemonade costs \$2.00 per gallon. Write an inequality to describe the situation. Graph the solutions, describe reasonable solutions, and then give two possible combinations of drinks you could buy.

$$1.50x + 2.00y \leq 12.00$$



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