

## Math 1090 ~ Business Algebra

Section 1.2 Linear Inequalities in One Variable

**Objectives**:

- Solve and simplify linear inequalities.
- Graph linear inequalities.
- Translate a word problem into a linear inequality.

A Linear Inequality can be written in the form  $ax + b \le c$ , where a, b and c are constants and  $a \ne 0$ .

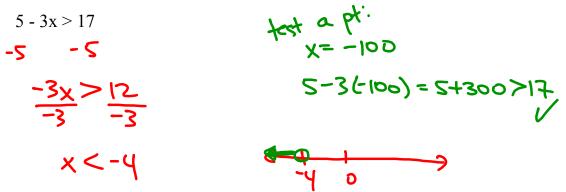
A linear inequality is solved much like a linear equation.

If we multiply or divide by a negative number, the inequality sign must be switched.

Ex 1: Solve and graph the solution for each of these.

a) 
$$\frac{3}{2}x+3 \le -6$$
  
 $-3 - 5$   
 $\frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \times \le -9 \cdot 2$   
 $x \le -6$   
b)  $\frac{5x+3}{8}-1 > \frac{x+4}{6}+1$   
 $+1$   
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 $\frac{3}{24} \left(\frac{5 \times +3}{8}\right) > \left(\frac{\times +4}{6} +2\right) 24$   
 $3(5 \times +3) > \frac{(x+4)}{6} +2(24)$   
 $15 \times +9 > 4 \times +16 + 48$   
 $15 \times +9 > 4 \times +64$   
 $11 \times +9 > 64$   
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 $11 \times -55$   
 $\times >5$ 

Ex 2: Solve and graph the solution.



Ex 3: Translate to a compound inequality.

Three times a number is less than 13 and greater than -3.

Ex 4: An investor wants to invest a total of \$10,000 in two different accounts. The riskier investment yields an annual average of 9.5% profit and the safer investment has an annual average yield of 4.5%. How much money should be invested in the riskier account in order to earn at least \$600 profit in a year?

x= \$ invested in riskier acct.  

$$\Rightarrow |0000-x=$ invested in safer acct.$$
  
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profit Profit from desured  
from Safe Profit  
risky acct. acct.  
0.095x + 450-0.045x ≥600  
0.05x + 450 ≥ 600  
 $\frac{0.05x}{0.05} = \frac{150}{0.05} (\frac{100}{100})$   
 $x \ge 15000$   
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Ex 5: A product sells for \$20 and has a unit cost of \$15, and fixed costs of \$200,000. Find the least number of products that must be sold to have a profit.

$$P = R - C \quad (Profit = Revenue - Gost)$$

$$R = 20 \times \qquad x = \# of products produced 
$$F = Sold$$

$$C = |Sx + 200,000$$

$$Want \quad P \ge 0$$

$$P = 20x - (15x + 200,000)$$

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$$P = 5x - 200,000 \ge 0$$

$$Sx \ge 20,000 \ge 0$$

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