

Algebra 1 Workbook

Inequalities



TRICHOTOMY

1. Solve the inequality.

$$2(x+1) \nleq -(8-x)$$

■ 2. If $x \not< y$ and $x \not> y$, by the law of trichotomy, what do we know about the relationship between x and y?

■ 3. Give two ways to write the following sentence in mathematical notation.

" x^2 is not greater than 4y and is also not equal to 4y."

4. Solve the inequality.

$$x(3x-2) \not\ge 3(x+x^2) + 10$$

- 5. Give the three possible relationships in the law or trichotomy.
- 6. Find a way to express the following relationships as one equality or inequality.

$$x^2 + x \not< 2$$
 and $x^2 + x \not> 2$

■ 7. Give two ways to write the following statement in mathematical notation.

"
$$3(x+1)$$
 is not less than $-x-5$ and is also not equal to $-x-5$."

8. Solve the following statement.

$$-3(1-x) \ge 3(7-x) - 2x$$
 and $-3(1-x) \le 3(7-x) - 2x$



INEQUALITIES AND NEGATIVE NUMBERS

1. Solve the inequality.

$$-3x + 4 < 22$$

■ 2. What is the only difference between solving inequalities and solving equations? Give an example.

3. What went wrong in the following set of steps?

$$-5x + 6 < 9 - 2x$$

$$-3x < 3$$

$$x < -1$$

4. Solve the inequality.

$$-(5 - 2x) \ge 3(x - 3) + 2x$$

 \blacksquare 5. Of <, >, or =, which sign is unaffected when solving inequalities? Give an example.

6. Solve the inequality.

$$-6x + 7 > -3x + 2$$

7. What went wrong in the following set of steps?

$$-2(x+1) \ge 3(2+x)$$

$$-2x - 2 \ge 6 + 3x$$

$$-2x - 3x - 2 \le 6$$

8. Solve the inequality.

$$7(1-x) \le 2x$$

GRAPHING INEQUALITIES ON A NUMBER LINE

- 1. Give two expressions that, when graphed, have open circles at 3.
- 2. Graph the inequality on a number line.

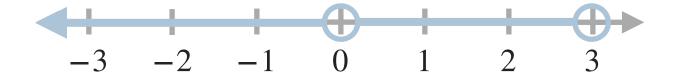
$$-2x < 4$$

 \blacksquare 3. Graph the values of x that satisfy the following expressions.

$$x \le 3$$
 and $x \ne -2$

- \blacksquare 4. Give two expressions that, when graphed, have closed circles at -1.
- 5. What is wrong with the graph of the following inequality?

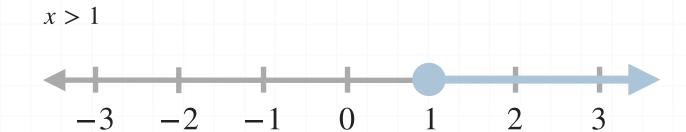
$$x \le 3$$
 and $x \ne 0$



■ 6. Graph the inequality on a number line.

$$x - 1 \ge 3$$

7. What is wrong with the graph of the following inequality?



GRAPHING CONJUNCTIONS ON A NUMBER LINE

■ 1. Write the inequality that takes away the absolute value sign.

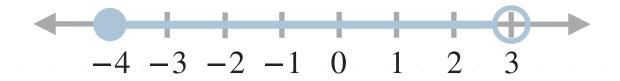
$$|3x - 7| \ge 2$$

2. Graph the inequality.

$$-8 \le -2x < 10$$

■ 3. What is wrong with the graph of the following inequality?

$$x \le 3$$
 and $x > -4$



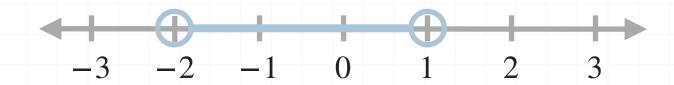
4. Graph the inequality.

$$x < 5$$
 and $x \ge -3$

■ 5. Give an example of a conjunction for which the graph is a line segment connecting two points.

■ 6. What is wrong with the graph of the following inequality?

$$x < -2 \text{ and } x > 1$$



7. Graph the inequality.

$$|6 - 2x| \le 4$$

8. Graph the inequality.

$$2x - 1 \ge 3$$
 and $-x \ge -9$

