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## Inequalities and Their Graphs

Unit 3 Lesson 1

# INEQUALITIES AND THEIR GRAPHS

## Students will be able to:

recognize and check solutions of inequalities; and  
graph inequalities .

## Key Vocabulary:

- Inequality
- Solution of an Equality
- Graph of an Equality



# INEQUALITIES AND THEIR GRAPHS

**INEQUALITY** is a mathematical sentence that uses an inequality symbol to compare the values of two expressions.

$$a < b$$

$a$  less than  $b$

$$a > b$$

$a$  greater than  $b$

$$a \neq b$$

$a$  is not equal to  $b$

$$a \leq b$$

$a$  less than or equal to  $b$

$$a \geq b$$

$a$  greater than or  
equal to  $b$



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**Sample Problem 1:** Determine if each inequality is true or false.

A.  $3 + 2 > 7 - 3$

B.  $-8 + 3 \leq 3 - 8$

C.  $5 + 6 \geq 10 + 2$

D.  $9 + 4 < 6 + 1 + 6$

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**Sample Problem 1:** Determine if each inequality is true or false.

A.  $3 + 2 > 7 - 3$  TRUE

$$5 > 4$$

B.  $-8 + 3 \leq 3 - 8$  TRUE

$$-5 \leq -5$$

C.  $5 + 6 \geq 10 + 2$  FALSE

$$11 \geq 12$$

D.  $9 + 4 < 6 + 1 + 6$  FALSE

$$13 < 13$$

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**Sample Problem 2:** Write each algebraic expression from the verbal expression.

- A. The sum of  $x$  and 16 is greater than or equal to 32.
- B. The product of 13 and  $x$  is less than 36.
- C. The difference of  $x$  and 9 is greater than 21.
- D. The ratio of  $x$  and 4 is less than or equal to 15.

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**Sample Problem 2:** Write each algebraic expression from the verbal expression.

A. The sum of  $x$  and 16 is greater than or equal to 32.  $x + 16 \geq 32$

B. The product of 13 and  $x$  is less than 36.  $13x < 36$

C. The difference of  $x$  and 9 is greater than 21.  $x - 9 > 21$

D. The ratio of  $x$  and 4 is less than or equal to 15.  $\frac{x}{4} \leq 15$

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**SOLUTION OF AN INEQUALITY** is any number that produces a true statement when it is substituted for the variable in the inequality.



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**Sample Problem 3:** Determine whether **6** is the solution for each inequality.

A.  $2x - 3 < 8$

B.  $x - 5 \geq 1$

C.  $x + 6 > 11$

D.  $12 + x \leq 17$

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**Sample Problem 3:** Determine whether 6 is the solution for each inequality.

A.  $2x - 3 < 8$

$$2(\mathbf{6}) - 3 < 8$$

$$12 - 3 < 8$$

$$\mathbf{9 < 8}$$

6 is not a  
solution

B.  $x - 5 \geq 1$

$$\mathbf{6} - 5 \geq 1$$

$$\mathbf{1 \geq 1}$$

6 is a  
solution

C.  $x + 6 > 11$

$$\mathbf{6} + 6 > 11$$

$$\mathbf{12 > 11}$$

6 is a  
solution

D.  $12 + x \leq 17$

$$12 + \mathbf{6} \leq 17$$

$$\mathbf{18 \leq 17}$$

6 is not a  
solution

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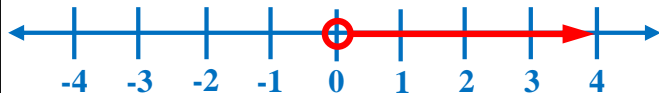
**GRAPH** an inequality is the set of points on a number line that represent all solutions of the inequality.

**OPEN CIRCLE** ○

$$x < 0$$

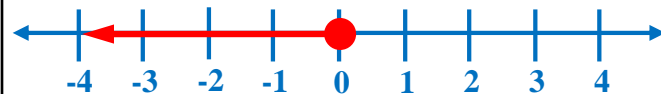


$$x > 0$$

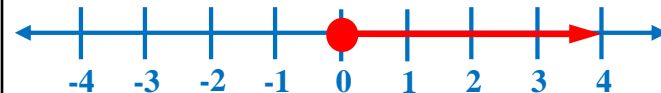


**CLOSED CIRCLE** ●

$$x \leq 0$$



$$x \geq 0$$



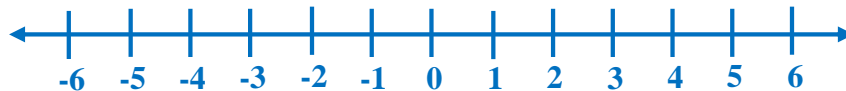
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**Sample Problem 4:** Graph each inequality.

A.  $x < -5$



B.  $x \geq 3$



C.  $x > -4$



D.  $x \leq 8$



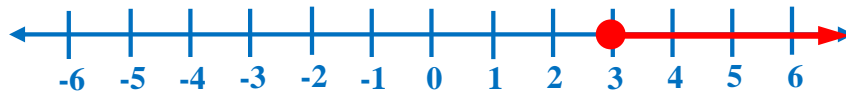
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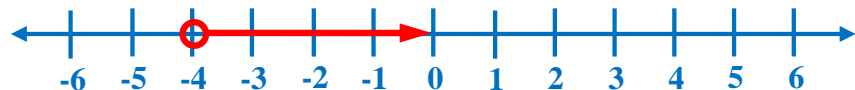
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