

Math 9 – Unit 3: Solving Equations

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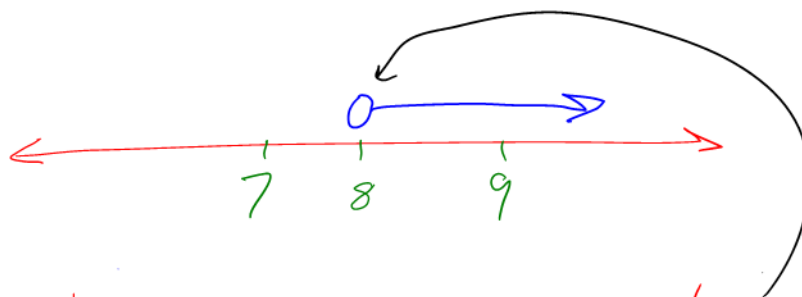
Lesson #5: Solving Inequalities

Learning Goal: We are learning to solve inequalities.

An equation utilizes the equal (=) sign, and when you solve an equation, you get one answer. An inequality uses the greater or less than symbols (<, >, ≤, ≥), and when solving an inequality, we get infinite answers! The math of solving an inequality is **THE SAME** as solving an equation except for one stipulation (which we will get to in the third example). In order to represent the infinite answers, you need to graph the solution on a number line.

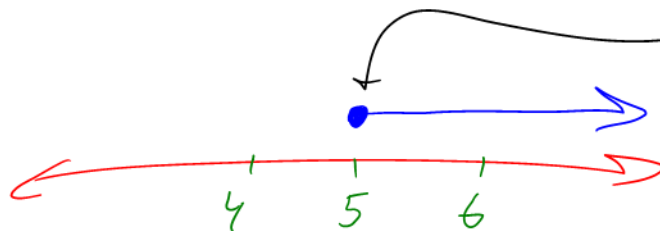
Solve each inequality, then graph the solution on a number line.

a) $7p > 56$
 $\frac{7p}{7} > \frac{56}{7}$
 $p > 8$



If you have <, > use an open circle.
If you have ≤, ≥ use a filled in circle

b) $-5 \leq k - 10$
 $+10 \quad +10$
 $5 \leq k$
 $k \geq 5$

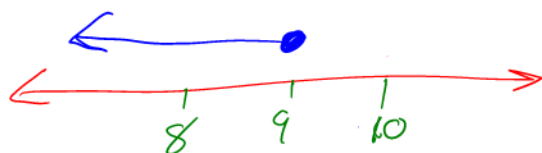


BIG NOTE: When you multiply or divide an inequality by a negative, you need to flip around the inequality sign.

c) $-45 \leq -5y$
 $\frac{-45}{-5} \geq \frac{-5y}{-5}$
 $9 \geq y$
 $y \leq 9$

$-45 \leq -40$
~~not~~ true!
∴

$\frac{-45}{-5} \geq \frac{-5y}{-5}$
 $9 \geq y$
 $y \leq 9$



$$d) 16 > 9 + \frac{m}{2}$$

$$(2) 7 > \frac{m(2)}{2}$$

$$14 > m$$

$$m < 14$$

$$e) 7(w+6) \geq 38 + 8w$$

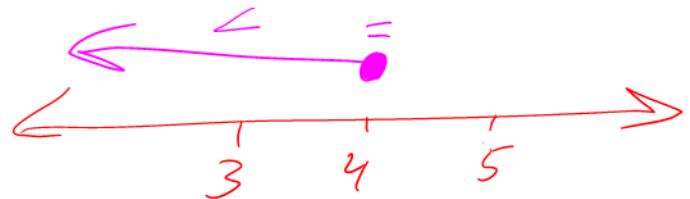
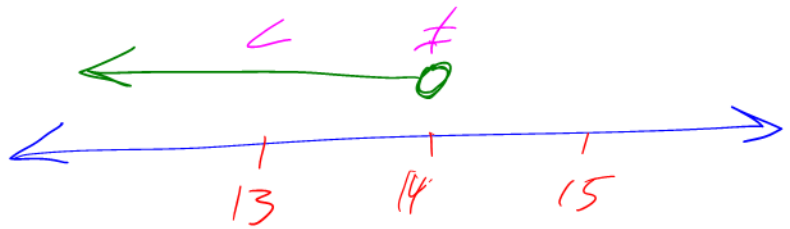
$$7w + 42 \geq 38 + 8w$$

$\begin{matrix} -7w & -38 & & -38 & -7w \end{matrix}$

$$4 \geq w$$

Mirror $\rightarrow w \leq 4$

Move the variables to the side where there is more of them



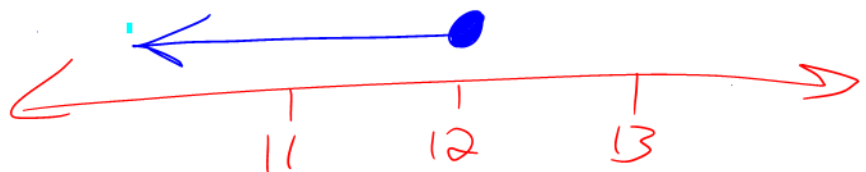
$$f) 5(n-6) + 8 \leq -2(5-4n) - 4n$$

$$5n - 30 + 8 \leq -10 + 8n - 4n$$

$$5n - 22 \leq -10 + 4n$$

$\begin{matrix} -4n & +22 & & +22 & -4n \end{matrix}$

$$n \leq 12$$



CD of 50

$$g) \frac{651}{252} < \frac{39}{10} + \frac{27n}{10 \times 5}$$

$$1302 < 195 + 135n$$

$-195 \quad -195$

$$\frac{1107}{135} < \frac{135n}{135}$$

$$8.2 < n$$

$$n > 8.2$$



$$h) \frac{2(3y+5)}{3 \times 2} - \frac{(y-3)}{6} \leq \frac{-2 \times 6}{1 \times 6}$$

CD of 6

$$2(3y+5) - (y-3) \leq -12$$

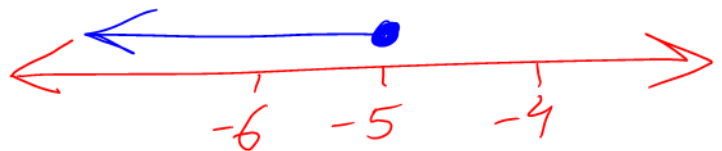
$$6y + 10 - y + 3 \leq -12$$

$$5y + 13 \leq -12$$

$-13 \quad -13$

$$\frac{5y}{5} \leq \frac{-25}{5}$$

$$y \leq -5$$



Success Criteria:

- I can graph an inequality on a number line
- I can recognize what to do to an inequality when it is multiplied/divided by a negative
- I can recognize that solving an inequality follows the same rules as solving an equation