

Line It Up

Solve two-step equations and inequalities, then show each answer on a number line.

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7.10.B "represent solutions for one-variable, two-step equations and inequalities on number lines; and"

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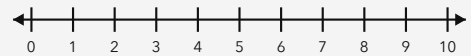
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SOLVE, THEN GRAPH

Undo addition or subtraction first. Then undo multiplication or division. For an inequality, reverse the inequality sign only when you multiply or divide by a negative number. Use a closed circle for $=$, $\leq$, or $\geq$. Use an open circle for $<$ or $>$.

WORKED EXAMPLE

Solve and graph: $3x + 7 > 22$

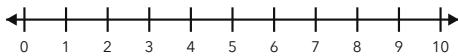


1. Subtract 7 from both sides: $3x > 15$.
2. Divide both sides by 3: $x > 5$.
3. Put an open circle at 5 and shade to the right.

Answer: $x > 5$, open circle at 5 and shade to the right.

PRACTICE 6 problems

1 Solve and graph: $4x - 9 = 15$



ANSWER _____

2 Solve and graph: $2x + 8 \leq 20$

ANSWER _____

3 Solve and graph: $-2x + 1 > 13$

ANSWER _____

4 Solve and graph: $6x - 8 < 16$

ANSWER _____

5 Solve and graph: $x/4 + 6 \geq 9$

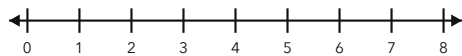
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6 Solve and graph: $20 - 2x = 4$

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APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** Mia has \$34 saved for headphones that cost \$58. She earns \$6 each week by helping a neighbor. Let w be the number of weeks. Write and solve an inequality to show how many weeks Mia needs. Then graph the solution.



WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

- 2** A gaming club pays a \$12 court fee plus \$4 for each player. The club can spend no more than \$36. Let p be the number of players. Write and solve an inequality, then graph the solution.



WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

CHALLENGE One step up

Solve and graph: $-2(x - 6) > 10$. Explain in one sentence why the inequality sign changes.

WORK SPACE AND ANSWER

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	Solve and graph: $4x - 9 = 15$	$x = 6$, closed circle at 6.
2	Solve and graph: $2x + 8 \leq 20$	$x \leq 6$, closed circle at 6 and shade to the left.
3	Solve and graph: $-2x + 1 > 13$	$x < -6$, open circle at -6 and shade to the left.
4	Solve and graph: $6x - 8 < 16$	$x < 4$, open circle at 4 and shade to the left.
5	Solve and graph: $x/4 + 6 \geq 9$	$x \geq 12$, closed circle at 12 and shade to the right.
6	Solve and graph: $20 - 2x = 4$	$x = 8$, closed circle at 8.

PART 2 • APPLY IT

- $w \geq 4$, closed circle at 4 and shade to the right. Write $34 + 6w \geq 58$. Subtract 34 and divide by 6 to get $w \geq 4$.
- $p \leq 6$, closed circle at 6 and shade to the left. The club can have at most 6 players. Write $12 + 4p \leq 36$. Subtract 12 and divide by 4 to get $p \leq 6$.

CHALLENGE

$x < 1$, open circle at 1 and shade to the left. The inequality sign changes because both sides are divided by -2.

Accept equivalent inequality wording and any correct number-line graph with the stated open or closed circle and direction of shading. For the word problems, accept the inequalities $34 + 6w \geq 58$ and $12 + 4p \leq 36$.