

Pre-Class Problems 4 for Wednesday, January 31

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These are the type of problems that you will be working on in class.

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1. A motorboat travels 75 miles with a current of 5 mph. The return trip against the current takes 2 hours longer. Find the average rate of the motorboat in still water.

2. Solve the following equations.

a. $4|3x - 5| - 7 = 17$

b. $-11 = -2|y + 9| - 5$

c. $|7t - 4| + 9 = 6$

d. $|11 - 4x| = |5x + 8|$

3. Solve the following equations.

a. $\sqrt{2x - 7} = 3$

b. $\sqrt{6y + 4} = y - 6$

c. $\sqrt{t + 33} - 3 = t$

d. $\sqrt{3w - 5} + \sqrt{w + 6} = 5$

e. $\sqrt{3x + 16} - \sqrt{x + 13} = -1$

f. $\sqrt{3y - 1} + \sqrt{6y - 3} = 2$

g. $\sqrt{4t - 5} + \sqrt{8t - 3} = 4$

h. $\sqrt{2w + 5} - \sqrt{w + 2} = 1$

Definition

1. $(a, b) = \{x : a < x < b\}$

5. $(a, \infty) = \{x : x > a\}$

2. $[a, b] = \{x : a \leq x \leq b\}$

6. $[a, \infty) = \{x : x \geq a\}$

$$3. \quad [a, b) = \{x : a \leq x < b\}$$

$$4. \quad (a, b] = \{x : a < x \leq b\}$$

$$7. \quad (-\infty, a) = \{x : x < a\}$$

$$8. \quad (-\infty, a] = \{x : x \leq a\}$$

NOTE: The x in the sets above is representing a real number; x could not be a complex number. The symbol $:$ in the sets above means the phrase “such that.” You can also use the symbol $|$ for such that.

4. Solve the following inequalities. Graph the solution set. Write the solution set in interval notation.

$$\text{a. } 3x + 10 > -2 \quad \text{b. } -\frac{3}{8}y + \frac{1}{2} \geq \frac{4}{3} \quad \text{c. } \frac{t-3}{3} - \frac{4t+7}{6} > -\frac{11}{4}$$

$$\text{d. } 13 - 3[7 + 2(x - 4)] \geq 4[6 - 5(2x - 3)]$$

5. Solve the following inequalities. Graph the solution set. Write the solution set in interval notation.

$$\text{a. } -8 \leq 7 - 3x < 34 \quad \text{b. } 4 < \frac{6y+5}{3} < \frac{17}{3}$$

$$\text{c. } 3 \leq \frac{4w-9}{5} < 11$$

Theorem

$$1. \quad |x| < a \text{ if and only if } -a < x < a$$

$$2. \quad |x| \leq a \text{ if and only if } -a \leq x \leq a$$

$$3. \quad |x| > a \text{ if and only if } x > a \text{ or } x < -a$$

$$4. \quad |x| \geq a \text{ if and only if } x \geq a \text{ or } x \leq -a$$

6. Solve the following inequalities. Graph the solution set. Write the solution set in interval notation.

a. $|x| < 2$ b. $|y| \geq 8$ c. $|t - 3| \leq 4$ d. $|w + 2| > 5$
 e. $|3x + 6| < 9$ f. $|6y - 5| \geq 7$ g. $5|4t - 7| - 9 \leq 21$
 h. $-11 > -2|w + 9| - 5$ i. $|7x - 4| + 9 < 6$
 j. $|7x - 4| + 9 \geq 6$

7. A car travels 70 mph and passes a van traveling 65 mph. How long will it take the car to be more than 10 miles ahead of the van?
8. A rectangular garden is to be constructed so that the width is 75 feet. What are the possible values for the length of the garden if at most 500 feet of fencing are to be used to enclose the garden?

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SOLUTIONS:

1. A motorboat travels 75 miles with a current of 5 mph. The return trip against the current takes 2 hours longer. Find the average rate of the motorboat in still water.

Let m = the rate of the motorboat in still water

$$R \qquad T = \frac{D}{R} \qquad D$$

With the current	$m + 5$	$\frac{75}{m + 5}$	75
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Against the current	$m - 5$	$\frac{75}{m - 5}$	75
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NOTE: The difference in the time for the return trip traveling against the current, which is $\frac{75}{m - 5}$, and the time for the trip traveling with the current, which is $\frac{75}{m + 5}$, is 2 hours. The time to travel against the current is greater

than the time to travel with the current. Thus, $\frac{75}{m - 5} - \frac{75}{m + 5} = 2$.

$$\frac{75}{m - 5} - \frac{75}{m + 5} = 2$$

$$\text{LCD} = (m - 5)(m + 5)$$

$$\frac{75}{m - 5} - \frac{75}{m + 5} = 2 \Rightarrow$$

$$(m - 5)(m + 5) \left(\frac{75}{m - 5} - \frac{75}{m + 5} \right) = 2(m - 5)(m + 5) \Rightarrow$$

$$75(m + 5) - 75(m - 5) = 2(m^2 - 25) \Rightarrow$$

$$75m + 375 - 75m + 375 = 2m^2 - 50 \Rightarrow 750 = 2m^2 - 50 \Rightarrow$$

$$2m^2 = 800 \Rightarrow m^2 = 400 \Rightarrow m = \pm 20$$

Speed can't be negative. Thus, $m = 20$.

Answer: 20 mph

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The following is another way that the problem can be work.

NOTE: The time for the return trip against the current, which is $\frac{75}{m-5}$, is 2 hours longer than the time for the trip with the current, which is $\frac{75}{m+5}$.

$$\text{Thus, } \frac{75}{m+5} + 2 = \frac{75}{m-5}.$$

$$\frac{75}{m+5} + 2 = \frac{75}{m-5}$$

$$\text{LCD} = (m+5)(m-5)$$

$$\frac{75}{m+5} + 2 = \frac{75}{m-5} \Rightarrow$$

$$(m+5)(m-5)\left(\frac{75}{m+5} + 2\right) = \left(\frac{75}{m-5}\right)(m+5)(m-5) \Rightarrow$$

$$75(m-5) + 2(m+5)(m-5) = 75(m+5) \Rightarrow$$

$$75m - 375 + 2(m^2 - 25) = 75m + 375 \Rightarrow$$

$$-375 + 2m^2 - 50 = 375 \Rightarrow -425 + 2m^2 = 375 \Rightarrow 2m^2 = 800 \Rightarrow$$

$$m^2 = 400 \Rightarrow m = \pm 20$$

Answer: 20 mph

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2a. $4|3x - 5| - 7 = 17$

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$$4|3x - 5| - 7 = 17 \Rightarrow 4|3x - 5| = 24 \Rightarrow |3x - 5| = 6 \Rightarrow$$

$$3x - 5 = \pm 6 \Rightarrow 3x = 5 \pm 6 \Rightarrow x = \frac{5 \pm 6}{3}$$

$$x = \frac{5 - 6}{3} = -\frac{1}{3}, \quad x = \frac{5 + 6}{3} = \frac{11}{3}$$

Answer: $x = -\frac{1}{3}, \frac{11}{3}$ **or** $\left\{-\frac{1}{3}, \frac{11}{3}\right\}$

2b. $-11 = -2|y + 9| - 5$

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$$-11 = -2|y + 9| - 5 \Rightarrow -6 = -2|y + 9| \Rightarrow |y + 9| = 3 \Rightarrow$$

$$y + 9 = \pm 3 \Rightarrow y = -9 \pm 3$$

$$y = -9 - 3 = -12, \quad y = -9 + 3 = -6$$

Answer: $y = -12, -6$ **or** $\{-12, -6\}$

2c. $|7t - 4| + 9 = 6$

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$$|7t - 4| + 9 = 6 \Rightarrow |7t - 4| = -3$$

The absolute value of a real number is nonnegative (zero or positive).

Answer: No solution **or** The empty set

2d. $|11 - 4x| = |5x + 8|$

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$$|11 - 4x| = |5x + 8| \Rightarrow 11 - 4x = \pm(5x + 8)$$

$$11 - 4x = 5x + 8 \quad \text{or} \quad 11 - 4x = -(5x + 8)$$

$$3 = 9x \quad \quad \quad 11 - 4x = -5x - 8$$

$$x = \frac{3}{9} = \frac{1}{3} \quad \quad \quad x = -19$$

Answer: $x = -19, \frac{1}{3}$ **or** $\left\{-19, \frac{1}{3}\right\}$

3a. $\sqrt{2x - 7} = 3$

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$$\sqrt{2x - 7} = 3 \Rightarrow (\sqrt{2x - 7})^2 = 3^2 \Rightarrow 2x - 7 = 9 \Rightarrow$$

$$2x = 16 \Rightarrow x = 8$$

Check: $\sqrt{16 - 7} \stackrel{?}{=} 3 \Rightarrow \sqrt{9} \stackrel{?}{=} 3 \Rightarrow 3 \stackrel{?}{=} 3$ True

Answer: $x = 8$ or $\{8\}$

3b. $\sqrt{6y + 4} = y - 6$

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$$\sqrt{6y + 4} = y - 6 \Rightarrow (\sqrt{6y + 4})^2 = (y - 6)^2 \Rightarrow$$

$$6y + 4 = y^2 - 12y + 36 \Rightarrow 0 = y^2 - 18y + 32 \Rightarrow$$

$$0 = (y - 2)(y - 16) \Rightarrow y = 2, y = 16$$

Check for $y = 2$: $\sqrt{12 + 4} \stackrel{?}{=} 2 - 6 \Rightarrow \sqrt{16} \stackrel{?}{=} -4 \Rightarrow 4 \stackrel{?}{=} -4$ False

Check for $y = 16$: $\sqrt{96 + 4} \stackrel{?}{=} 16 - 6 \Rightarrow \sqrt{100} \stackrel{?}{=} 10 \Rightarrow 10 \stackrel{?}{=} 10$ True

Answer: $y = 16$ or $\{16\}$

3c. $\sqrt{t + 33} - 3 = t$

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$$\sqrt{t + 33} - 3 = t \Rightarrow \sqrt{t + 33} = t + 3 \Rightarrow (\sqrt{t + 33})^2 = (t + 3)^2 \Rightarrow$$

$$t + 33 = t^2 + 6t + 9 \Rightarrow 0 = t^2 + 5t - 24 \Rightarrow 0 = (t + 8)(t - 3) \Rightarrow$$

$$t = -8, t = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Check for } t = -8: \sqrt{-8 + 33} - 3 &\stackrel{?}{=} -8 \Rightarrow \sqrt{25} - 3 \stackrel{?}{=} -8 \Rightarrow \\ 5 - 3 &\stackrel{?}{=} -8 \Rightarrow 2 \stackrel{?}{=} -8 \quad \text{False} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Check for } t = 3: \sqrt{3 + 33} - 3 &\stackrel{?}{=} 3 \Rightarrow \sqrt{36} - 3 \stackrel{?}{=} 3 \Rightarrow 6 - 3 \stackrel{?}{=} 3 \Rightarrow \\ 3 &\stackrel{?}{=} 3 \quad \text{True} \end{aligned}$$

Answer: $t = 3$ or $\{3\}$

$$3d. \quad \sqrt{3w - 5} + \sqrt{w + 6} = 5$$

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$$\sqrt{3w - 5} + \sqrt{w + 6} = 5 \Rightarrow \sqrt{3w - 5} = 5 - \sqrt{w + 6} \Rightarrow$$

$$(\sqrt{3w - 5})^2 = (5 - \sqrt{w + 6})^2 \Rightarrow 3w - 5 = 25 - 10\sqrt{w + 6} + w + 6$$

$$\Rightarrow 3w - 5 = 31 - 10\sqrt{w + 6} + w \Rightarrow 2w - 36 = -10\sqrt{w + 6} \Rightarrow$$

$$2(w - 18) = -10\sqrt{w + 6} \Rightarrow w - 18 = -5\sqrt{w + 6} \Rightarrow$$

$$(w - 18)^2 = (-5\sqrt{w + 6})^2 \Rightarrow w^2 - 36w + 324 = 25(w + 6) \Rightarrow$$

$$w^2 - 36w + 324 = 25w + 150 \Rightarrow w^2 - 61w + 174 = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$(w - 3)(w - 58) = 0 \Rightarrow w = 3, w = 58$$

NOTE: The prime factorization of 174 is $2 \cdot 3 \cdot 29$.

Factors of 174: 1, 174 ; 2, 87 ; 3, 58 ; and 6, 29

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Check for } w = 3: \quad \sqrt{9-5} + \sqrt{3+6} &\stackrel{?}{=} 5 \Rightarrow \sqrt{4} + \sqrt{9} \stackrel{?}{=} 5 \Rightarrow \\ 2 + 3 &\stackrel{?}{=} 5 \Rightarrow 5 \stackrel{?}{=} 5 \quad \text{True}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Check for } w = 58: \quad \sqrt{174-5} + \sqrt{58+6} &\stackrel{?}{=} 5 \Rightarrow \sqrt{169} + \sqrt{64} \stackrel{?}{=} 5 \\ \Rightarrow 13 + 8 &\stackrel{?}{=} 5 \Rightarrow 21 \stackrel{?}{=} 5 \quad \text{False}\end{aligned}$$

Answer: $w = 3$ or $\{3\}$

3e. $\sqrt{3x+16} - \sqrt{x+13} = -1$

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$$\sqrt{3x+16} - \sqrt{x+13} = -1 \Rightarrow \sqrt{3x+16} = \sqrt{x+13} - 1 \Rightarrow$$

$$(\sqrt{3x+16})^2 = (\sqrt{x+13} - 1)^2 \Rightarrow 3x+16 = x+13 - 2\sqrt{x+13} + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x+16 = x+14 - 2\sqrt{x+13} \Rightarrow 2x+2 = -2\sqrt{x+13} \Rightarrow$$

$$2(x+1) = -2\sqrt{x+13} \Rightarrow x+1 = -\sqrt{x+13} \Rightarrow$$

$$(x+1)^2 = (-\sqrt{x+13})^2 \Rightarrow x^2 + 2x + 1 = x + 13 \Rightarrow$$

$$x^2 + x - 12 = 0 \Rightarrow (x+4)(x-3) = 0 \Rightarrow x = -4, x = 3$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Check for } x = -4: \quad \sqrt{-12+16} - \sqrt{-4+13} &\stackrel{?}{=} -1 \Rightarrow \\ \sqrt{4} - \sqrt{9} &\stackrel{?}{=} -1 \Rightarrow 2 - 3 \stackrel{?}{=} -1 \Rightarrow -1 \stackrel{?}{=} -1 \quad \text{True}\end{aligned}$$

Check for $x = 3$: $\sqrt{9 + 16} - \sqrt{3 + 13} \stackrel{?}{=} -1 \Rightarrow$

$$\sqrt{25} - \sqrt{16} \stackrel{?}{=} -1 \Rightarrow 5 - 4 \stackrel{?}{=} -1 \Rightarrow 1 \stackrel{?}{=} -1 \quad \text{False}$$

Answer: $x = -4$ or $\{-4\}$

3f. $\sqrt{3y - 1} + \sqrt{6y - 3} = 2$

Back to [Problem 3](#).

$$\sqrt{3y - 1} + \sqrt{6y - 3} = 2 \Rightarrow \sqrt{6y - 3} = 2 - \sqrt{3y - 1} \Rightarrow$$

$$(\sqrt{6y - 3})^2 = (2 - \sqrt{3y - 1})^2 \Rightarrow 6y - 3 = 4 - 4\sqrt{3y - 1} + 3y - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow 6y - 3 = 3 - 4\sqrt{3y - 1} + 3y \Rightarrow 3y - 6 = -4\sqrt{3y - 1} \Rightarrow$$

$$(3y - 6)^2 = (-4\sqrt{3y - 1})^2 \Rightarrow 9y^2 - 36y + 36 = 16(3y - 1) \Rightarrow$$

$$9y^2 - 36y + 36 = 48y - 16 \Rightarrow 9y^2 - 84y + 52 = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$(3y - 2)(3y - 26) = 0 \Rightarrow y = \frac{2}{3}, y = \frac{26}{3}$$

Check for $y = \frac{2}{3}$: $\sqrt{2 - 1} + \sqrt{4 - 3} \stackrel{?}{=} 2 \Rightarrow \sqrt{1} + \sqrt{1} \stackrel{?}{=} 2 \Rightarrow$

$$1 + 1 \stackrel{?}{=} 2 \Rightarrow 2 \stackrel{?}{=} 2 \quad \text{True}$$

Check for $y = \frac{26}{3}$: $\sqrt{26 - 1} + \sqrt{52 - 3} \stackrel{?}{=} 2 \Rightarrow \sqrt{25} + \sqrt{49} \stackrel{?}{=} 2 \Rightarrow$

$$5 + 7 \stackrel{?}{=} 2 \Rightarrow 12 \stackrel{?}{=} 2 \quad \text{False}$$

Answer: $y = \frac{2}{3}$ or $\left\{\frac{2}{3}\right\}$

3g. $\sqrt{4t - 5} + \sqrt{8t - 3} = 4$

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$$\sqrt{4t - 5} + \sqrt{8t - 3} = 4 \Rightarrow \sqrt{8t - 3} = 4 - \sqrt{4t - 5} \Rightarrow$$

$$(\sqrt{8t - 3})^2 = (4 - \sqrt{4t - 5})^2 \Rightarrow 8t - 3 = 16 - 8\sqrt{4t - 5} + 4t - 5$$

$$\Rightarrow 8t - 3 = 11 - 8\sqrt{4t - 5} + 4t \Rightarrow 4t - 14 = -8\sqrt{4t - 5} \Rightarrow$$

$$2(2t - 7) = -8\sqrt{4t - 5} \Rightarrow 2t - 7 = -4\sqrt{4t - 5} \Rightarrow$$

$$(2t - 7)^2 = (-4\sqrt{4t - 5})^2 \Rightarrow 4t^2 - 28t + 49 = 16(4t - 5) \Rightarrow$$

$$4t^2 - 28t + 49 = 64t - 80 \Rightarrow 4t^2 - 92t + 129 = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$(2t - 3)(2t - 43) = 0 \Rightarrow t = \frac{3}{2}, t = \frac{43}{2}$$

Check for $t = \frac{3}{2}$: $\sqrt{6 - 5} + \sqrt{12 - 3} \stackrel{?}{=} 4 \Rightarrow \sqrt{1} + \sqrt{9} \stackrel{?}{=} 4 \Rightarrow$

$$1 + 3 \stackrel{?}{=} 4 \Rightarrow 4 \stackrel{?}{=} 4 \quad \text{True}$$

Check for $t = \frac{43}{2}$: $\sqrt{86 - 5} + \sqrt{172 - 3} \stackrel{?}{=} 4 \Rightarrow \sqrt{81} + \sqrt{169} \stackrel{?}{=} 4$

$$\Rightarrow 9 + 13 \stackrel{?}{=} 4 \Rightarrow 22 \stackrel{?}{=} 4 \quad \text{False}$$

Answer: $t = \frac{3}{2}$ or $\left\{\frac{3}{2}\right\}$

3h. $\sqrt{2w+5} - \sqrt{w+2} = 1$

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$$\sqrt{2w+5} - \sqrt{w+2} = 1 \Rightarrow \sqrt{2w+5} = 1 + \sqrt{w+2} \Rightarrow$$

$$(\sqrt{2w+5})^2 = (1 + \sqrt{w+2})^2 \Rightarrow 2w+5 = 1 + 2\sqrt{w+2} + w+2 \Rightarrow$$

$$w+2 = 2\sqrt{w+2} \Rightarrow (w+2)^2 = (2\sqrt{w+2})^2 \Rightarrow$$

$$w^2 + 4w + 4 = 4(w+2) \Rightarrow w^2 + 4w + 4 = 4w + 8 \Rightarrow w^2 + 4 = 8 \Rightarrow$$

$$w^2 = 4 \Rightarrow w = \pm 2$$

Check for $w = -2$: $\sqrt{-4+5} - \sqrt{-2+2} \stackrel{?}{=} 1 \Rightarrow \sqrt{1} - \sqrt{0} \stackrel{?}{=} 1 \Rightarrow$
 $1 - 0 \stackrel{?}{=} 1 \Rightarrow 1 \stackrel{?}{=} 1$ True


Check for $w = 2$: $\sqrt{4+5} - \sqrt{2+2} \stackrel{?}{=} 1 \Rightarrow \sqrt{9} - \sqrt{4} \stackrel{?}{=} 1 \Rightarrow$
 $3 - 2 \stackrel{?}{=} 1 \Rightarrow 1 \stackrel{?}{=} 1$ True

Answer: $w = -2, w = 2$ or $\{-2, 2\}$

4a. $3x + 10 > -2$

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$$3x + 10 > -2 \Rightarrow 3x > -12 \Rightarrow x > -4$$

Answer: 

Answer: $(-4, \infty)$

4b. $-\frac{3}{8}y + \frac{1}{2} \geq \frac{4}{3}$

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LCD = 24

$$24\left(-\frac{3}{8}y + \frac{1}{2}\right) \geq \left(\frac{4}{3}\right)24 \Rightarrow -9y + 12 \geq 32 \Rightarrow -9y \geq 20 \Rightarrow$$

$$y \leq -\frac{20}{9}$$

RECALL: When you multiply or divide both sides of an inequality by a negative number, the direction of the inequality sign changes.

Answer: 

Answer: $\left(-\infty, -\frac{20}{9}\right]$

4c. $\frac{t-3}{3} - \frac{4t+7}{6} > -\frac{11}{4}$

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LCD = 12

$$12\left(\frac{t-3}{3} - \frac{4t+7}{6}\right) > \left(-\frac{11}{4}\right)12 \Rightarrow 4(t-3) - 2(4t+7) > -33 \Rightarrow$$

$$4t - 12 - 8t - 14 > -33 \Rightarrow -4t - 26 > -33 \Rightarrow -4t > -7 \Rightarrow t < \frac{7}{4}$$

Answer: 

Answer: $\left(-\infty, \frac{7}{4}\right)$

4d. $13 - 3[7 + 2(x - 4)] \geq 4[6 - 5(2x - 3)]$


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$$13 - 3[7 + 2(x - 4)] \geq 4[6 - 5(2x - 3)] \Rightarrow$$

$$13 - 3(7 + 2x - 8) \geq 4(6 - 10x + 15) \Rightarrow$$

$$13 - 3(2x - 1) \geq 4(21 - 10x) \Rightarrow 13 - 6x + 3 \geq 84 - 40x \Rightarrow$$

$$16 - 6x \geq 84 - 40x \Rightarrow 34x \geq 68 \Rightarrow x \geq 2$$

Answer: 

Answer: $[2, \infty)$

5a. $-8 \leq 7 - 3x < 34$

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$$-8 \leq 7 - 3x < 34 \Rightarrow -15 \leq -3x < 27 \Rightarrow 5 \geq x > -9 \Rightarrow -9 < x \leq 5$$

Answer:

Answer: $(-9, 5]$

5b. $4 < \frac{6y + 5}{3} < \frac{17}{3}$

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$$4 < \frac{6y + 5}{3} < \frac{17}{3} \Rightarrow 12 < 6y + 5 < 17 \Rightarrow 7 < 6y < 12 \Rightarrow$$

$$\frac{7}{6} < y < 2$$

Answer:

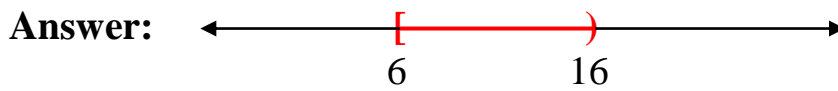
Answer: $\left(\frac{7}{6}, 2\right)$

5c. $3 \leq \frac{4w - 9}{5} < 11$

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$$3 \leq \frac{4w - 9}{5} < 11 \Rightarrow 15 \leq 4w - 9 < 55 \Rightarrow 24 \leq 4w < 64 \Rightarrow$$

$$6 \leq w < 16$$

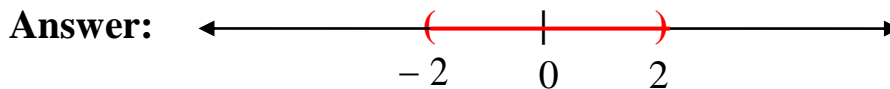


Answer: $[6, 16)$

6a. $|x| < 2$

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$$|x| < 2 \Rightarrow -2 < x < 2 \text{ (using the [Theorem](#))}$$



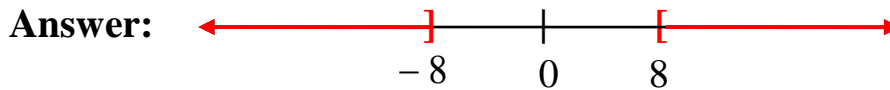
Answer: $(-2, 2)$

NOTE: The interval is a one-dimensional circle where the center of the circle is 0 and the radius is 2.

6b. $|y| \geq 8$

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$$|y| \geq 8 \Rightarrow y \geq 8 \text{ or } y \leq -8 \text{ (using the [Theorem](#))}$$



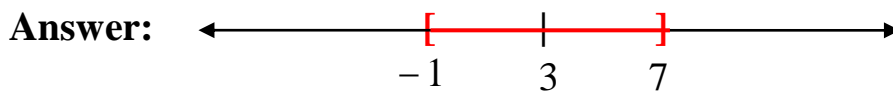
Answer: $(-\infty, -8] \cup [8, \infty)$

NOTE: The complement of the intervals is a one-dimensional circle where the center of the circle is 0 and the radius is 8.

6c. $|t - 3| \leq 4$

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$$|t - 3| \leq 4 \Rightarrow -4 \leq t - 3 \leq 4 \Rightarrow -1 \leq t \leq 7$$



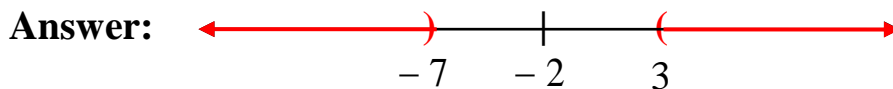
Answer: $[-1, 7]$

NOTE: The interval is like a one-dimensional circle where the center of the circle is 3 and the radius is 4.

6d. $|w + 2| > 5$

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$$|w + 2| > 5 \Rightarrow \begin{array}{ll} w + 2 > 5 & \text{or} \quad w + 2 < -5 \\ w > 3 & \quad \quad w < -7 \end{array}$$



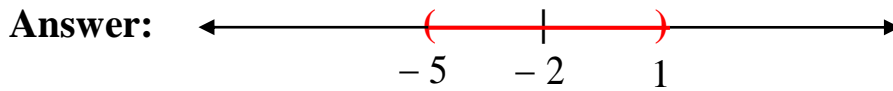
Answer: $(-\infty, -7) \cup (3, \infty)$

NOTE: The complement of the intervals is a one-dimensional circle where the center of the circle is -2 and the radius is 5.

6e. $|3x + 6| < 9$

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$$|3x + 6| < 9 \Rightarrow -9 < 3x + 6 < 9 \Rightarrow -15 < 3x < 3 \Rightarrow -5 < x < 1$$



Answer: $(-5, 1)$

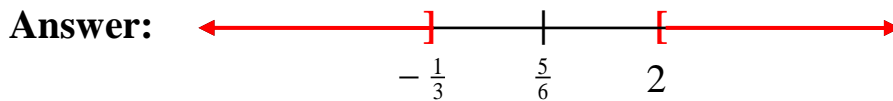
NOTE: The interval is like a one-dimensional circle where the center of the circle is -2 and the radius is 3 .

NOTE: $|3x + 6| < 9 \Rightarrow |3(x + 2)| < 9 \Rightarrow 3|x + 2| < 9 \Rightarrow$
 $|x + 2| < 3 \Rightarrow -3 < x + 2 < 3 \Rightarrow -5 < x < 1$

6f. $|6y - 5| \geq 7$

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$$\begin{aligned} |6y - 5| \geq 7 &\Rightarrow 6y - 5 \geq 7 \quad \text{or} \quad 6y - 5 \leq -7 \\ 6y &\geq 12 & 6y &\leq -2 \\ y &\geq 2 & y &\leq -\frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$



Answer: $\left(-\infty, -\frac{1}{3}\right] \cup [2, \infty)$

NOTE: The complement of the intervals is a one-dimensional circle where the center of the circle is $\frac{5}{6}$ and the radius is $\frac{7}{6}$.

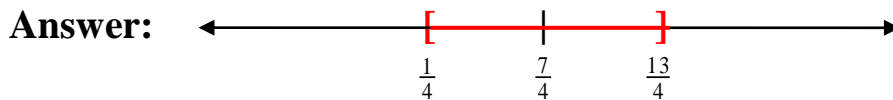
NOTE: $|6y - 5| \geq 7 \Rightarrow \left| 6 \left(y - \frac{5}{6} \right) \right| \geq 7 \Rightarrow 6 \left| y - \frac{5}{6} \right| \geq 7 \Rightarrow$
 $\left| y - \frac{5}{6} \right| \geq \frac{7}{6}$

6g. $5|4t - 7| - 9 \leq 21$

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$$5|4t - 7| - 9 \leq 21 \Rightarrow 5|4t - 7| \leq 30 \Rightarrow |4t - 7| \leq 6 \Rightarrow$$

$$-6 \leq 4t - 7 \leq 6 \Rightarrow 1 \leq 4t \leq 13 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{4} \leq t \leq \frac{13}{4}$$



Answer: $\left[\frac{1}{4}, \frac{13}{4} \right]$

NOTE: The interval is like a one-dimensional circle where the center of the circle is $\frac{7}{4}$ and the radius is $\frac{6}{4} = \frac{3}{2}$.

NOTE: $|4t - 7| \leq 6 \Rightarrow \left| 4 \left(t - \frac{7}{4} \right) \right| \leq 6 \Rightarrow 4 \left| t - \frac{7}{4} \right| \leq 6 \Rightarrow$
 $\left| t - \frac{7}{4} \right| \leq \frac{3}{2}$

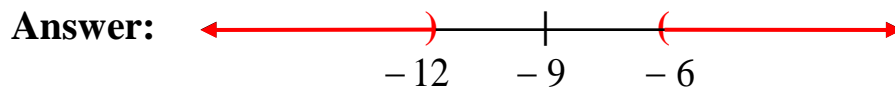
6h. $-11 > -2|w + 9| - 5$

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$$-11 > -2|w + 9| - 5 \Rightarrow -6 > -2|w + 9| \Rightarrow 3 < |w + 9| \Rightarrow$$

$$|w + 9| > 3$$

$$|w + 9| > 3 \Rightarrow \begin{array}{ll} w + 9 > 3 & \text{or} \quad w + 9 < -3 \\ w > -6 & \quad \quad w < -12 \end{array}$$



Answer: $(-\infty, -12) \cup (-6, \infty)$

NOTE: The complement of the intervals is a one-dimensional circle where the center of the circle is -9 and the radius is 3 .

6i. $|7x - 4| + 9 < 6$

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$$|7x - 4| + 9 < 6 \Rightarrow |7x - 4| < -3$$

For any real number x , $|7x - 4|$ is nonnegative (either zero or positive.)

Thus, the inequality $|7x - 4| < -3$ has no solution.

Answer: The empty set

6j. $|7x - 4| + 9 \geq 6$

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$$|7x - 4| + 9 \geq 6 \Rightarrow |7x - 4| \geq -3$$

For any real number x , $|7x - 4|$ is nonnegative (either zero or positive.)

Thus, every real number will satisfy the inequality $|7x - 4| \geq -3$.

Answer: 

Answer: $(-\infty, \infty)$

7. A car travels 70 mph and passes a van traveling 65 mph. How long will it take the car to be more than 7 miles ahead of the van? Back to [Problem 7](#).

	R	T	$D = RT$
Car	70	t	$70t$
Van	65	t	$65t$

$$70t - 65t > 7 \Rightarrow 5t > 7 \Rightarrow t > \frac{7}{5} \Rightarrow t > 1.4$$

Answer: It will take more than 1.4 hours, which is 1 hour and 24 minutes.

8. A rectangular garden is to be constructed so that the width is 75 feet. What are the possible values for the length of the garden if at most 500 feet of fencing are to be used to enclose the garden? Back to [Problem 8](#).

Let l = the length of the garden

NOTE: The perimeter of the garden is $2l + 2(50) = 2l + 100$. Since the fencing is to enclose the garden and at most 500 feet of fencing is to be used, then $2l + 100 \leq 500$.

$$2l + 100 \leq 500 \Rightarrow 2l \leq 400 \Rightarrow l \leq 200$$

Answer: The length of the garden must be 200 feet or less.