# Lesson 16: Solving and Graphing Inequalities Joined by "And" or "Or"

# Classwork

#### **Exercise 1**

- a. Solve  $w^2 = 121$ , for w. Graph the solution on a number line.
- b. Solve  $w^2 < 121$ , for w. Graph the solution on a number line and write the solution set as a compound inequality.
- c. Solve  $w^2 \ge 121$  for w. Graph the solution on a number line and write the solution set as a compound inequality.
- d. Quickly solve  $x + 7^2 = 121$ , for x. Graph the solution on a number line.
- e. Use your work from part (d) to quickly graph the solution on a number line to each inequality below.
  - i.  $x + 7^2 < 121$
  - ii.  $x + 7^2 \ge 121$



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#### **Exercise 2**

Consider the compound inequality -5 < x < 4

- a. Rewrite the inequality as a compound statement of inequality.
- b. Write a sentence describing the possible values of x.
- c. Graph the solution set on the number line below.



### **Exercise 3**

Consider the compound inequality -5 < 2x + 1 < 4.

- a. Rewrite the inequality as a compound statement of inequality.
- b. Solve each inequality for x. Then, write the solution to the compound inequality.
- c. Write a sentence describing the possible values of x.
- d. Graph the solution set on the number line below.



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### **Exercise 4**

Given x < -3 or x > -1

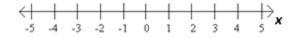
- a. What must be true in order for the compound inequality to be a true statement?
- b. Write a sentence describing the possible values of x.
- c. Graph the solution set on the number line below.



# **Exercise 5**

Given x + 4 < 6 or x - 1 > 3

- a. Solve each inequality for x. Then, write the solution to the compound inequality.
- b. Write a sentence describing the possible values of x.
- c. Graph the solution set on the number line below.



# **Exercise 6**

Solve each compound inequality for x and graph the solution on a number line.

a. 
$$x + 6 < 8$$
 and  $x - 1 > -1$ 

b. 
$$-1 \le 3 - 2x \le 10$$

c. 
$$5x + 1 < 0$$
 or  $8 \le x - 5$ 

d. 
$$10 > 3x - 2$$
 or  $x = 4$ 

e. 
$$x-2 < 4$$
 or  $x-2 > 4$ 

f. 
$$x - 2 \le 4$$
 and  $x - 2 \ge 4$ 

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# **Exercise 7**

Solve each compound inequality for x and graph the solution on a number line. Pay careful attention to the inequality symbols and the "and" or "or" statements as you work.

a. 
$$1 + x > -4$$
 or  $3x - 6 > -12$ 

b. 
$$1 + x > -4$$
 or  $3x - 6 < -12$ 

c. 
$$1 + x > 4$$
 and  $3x - 6 < -12$ 

# **Problem Set**

Solve each inequality for x and graph the solution on a number line.

1. 
$$x-2 < 6 \text{ or } \frac{x}{3} > 4$$

2. 
$$-6 < \frac{x+1}{4} < 3$$

3. 
$$5x \le 21 + 2x$$
 or  $3x + 1 \ge 24$ 

4. 
$$5x + 2 \ge 27$$
 and  $3x - 1 < 29$ 

5. 
$$0 \le 4x - 3 \le 11$$

6. 
$$2x > 8$$
 or  $-2x < 4$ 

7. 
$$8 \ge -2(x-9) \ge -8$$

8. 
$$4x + 8 > 2x - 10$$
 or  $\frac{1}{3}x - 3 < 2$ 

9. 
$$7 - 3x < 16$$
 and  $x + 12 < -8$ 

10. If inequalities question 8 were joined by "and" instead of "or," what would the solution set become?

11. If the inequalities in question 9 were joined by "or" instead of "and," what would the solution set become?