

INEQUALITIES APPLICATIONS WORKSHEET #2

Part One: Graphing Inequalities:

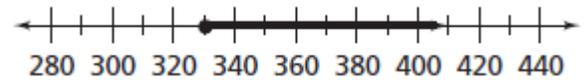
Caitlyn volunteers with some friends at a community center

1) Caitlyn is shopping online to find a new television for the center. She wants a television with at least a 26 inch screen. Write an inequality to show how much money, m , the center will need to spend.

| Television Prices | |
|-------------------|-------|
| Screen Size | Price |
| 22 inch | \$300 |
| 26 inch | \$330 |
| 32 inch | \$370 |
| 40 inch | \$420 |

Inequality: _____

2) Caitlyn drew the graph to the right to represent the solution to her inequality.



a. Why do you think she drew a solid circle at 330?

b. Caitlyn wants to have money left over for accessories. How can Caitlyn change her graph to show that they need to have more than \$330?

c) Draw a graph to show how much money they need.



3) The center has a stand for the television that will support up to 30 lbs of weight. Draw a graph to show how much the television she buys can weigh.



Part Two: Solving Inequalities

Solve the inequality: $3x - 15 \geq 12$

How is solving the inequality to the left similar to solving the equation $3x - 15 = 12$?

1) Caitlyn plans to use money from the community center's savings account to buy a video game system. She also needs to leave at least \$129 in the savings account to buy some softball equipment.

Video Game System Sale This Month Only
\$250.00
Selected Extra Games on Sale
\$35.00 each

The inequality $a - 129 \geq 250$ represents the situation where a represents the amount of money the center has in its savings account.

a) What does the expression $a - 129$ represent?

b) Solve the inequality.

What does the solution mean?

c) Use the number line below to show all possible values for a .



2) The center rents rooms for an hourly rate, plus a set-up fee.

| Room Rentals | | |
|--------------|----------------------|------------|
| Room | Rental Rate per hour | Set Up Fee |
| Main Hall | \$15 | \$40 |
| Dining Room | \$12 | \$80 |

a) A group has \$140 to spend. The inequality $15h + 40 \leq 140$ represents the cost to rent the main hall, where h represents the number of hours the group can rent the room.

Solve the inequality.

$$15h + 40 \leq 140$$

b) The same group is also considering renting the dining room. Write and solve an inequality to represent this situation.

Inequality: _____

c) Which room should the group rent? Why?

Part 3: Applications of Inequalities

Problem A: Tony's parents are choosing a new long distance phone plan. The phone company offers two plans. With plan 1, a long distance call costs 43 cents plus 2 cents per minute. With plan 2, a long distance call costs 25 cents, plus 4 cents per minute. Tony's mom makes a lot of long class, so she wants to know which company is a better deal for longer phone calls.

1. Write an expression to represent plan 1: _____
2. Write an expression to represent plan 2: _____
3. Write an inequality that represents when plan 1 is less than plan 2. Then solve it. _____

4. What advice would you give Tony's mom based on your solution? Which plan should she go with? Why?

Problem B: You get a new x box for your birthday from your parents and \$175 from your grandparents. You want to use the \$175 to buy some video games for your x box. Games are on sale for \$35 each at Target.

1. The inequality $175 - 35g \geq 0$ represents the number of games that you can buy. Why is the inequality ≥ 0 ?
2. Solve the inequality below.

What does your solution mean?

3. Graph the solution on a number line.



4. Could you have g be a negative number in this situation? For example can $g = -4$? Why or why not?