

1.7 EXERCISES

CONCEPTS

- Fill in the blank with an appropriate inequality sign.
 - If $x < 5$, then $x - 3$ _____ 2.
 - If $x \leq 5$, then $3x$ _____ 15.
 - If $x \geq 2$, then $-3x$ _____ -6 .
 - If $x < -2$, then $-x$ _____ 2.
- True or false?
 - If $x(x + 1) > 0$, then x and $x + 1$ are either both positive or both negative.
 - If $x(x + 1) > 5$, then x and $x + 1$ are each greater than 5.
- (a) The solution of the inequality $|x| \leq 3$ is the interval _____.
- (b) The solution of the inequality $|x| \geq 3$ is a union of two intervals _____ \cup _____.
- (a) The set of all points on the real line whose distance from zero is less than 3 can be described by the absolute value inequality $|x|$ _____.
- (b) The set of all points on the real line whose distance from zero is greater than 3 can be described by the absolute value inequality $|x|$ _____.

SKILLS

5–10 ■ Let $S = \{-2, -1, 0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, \sqrt{2}, 2, 4\}$. Determine which elements of S satisfy the inequality.

- $3 - 2x \leq \frac{1}{2}$
- $2x - 1 \geq x$
- $1 < 2x - 4 \leq 7$
- $-2 \leq 3 - x < 2$
- $\frac{1}{x} \leq \frac{1}{2}$
- $x^2 + 2 < 4$

11–34 ■ Solve the linear inequality. Express the solution using interval notation and graph the solution set.

- $2x \leq 7$
- $-4x \geq 10$
- $2x - 5 > 3$
- $3x + 11 < 5$
- $7 - x \geq 5$
- $5 - 3x \leq -16$
- $2x + 1 < 0$
- $0 < 5 - 2x$
- $3x + 11 \leq 6x + 8$
- $6 - x \geq 2x + 9$
- $\frac{1}{2}x - \frac{2}{3} > 2$
- $\frac{2}{5}x + 1 < \frac{1}{5} - 2x$
- $\frac{1}{3}x + 2 < \frac{1}{6}x - 1$
- $\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{2}x \geq \frac{1}{6} + x$
- $4 - 3x \leq -(1 + 8x)$
- $2(7x - 3) \leq 12x + 16$
- $2 \leq x + 5 < 4$
- $5 \leq 3x - 4 \leq 14$
- $-1 < 2x - 5 < 7$
- $1 < 3x + 4 \leq 16$
- $-2 < 8 - 2x \leq -1$
- $-3 \leq 3x + 7 \leq \frac{1}{2}$
- $\frac{1}{6} < \frac{2x - 13}{12} \leq \frac{2}{3}$
- $-\frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{4 - 3x}{5} \leq \frac{1}{4}$

35–72 ■ Solve the nonlinear inequality. Express the solution using interval notation and graph the solution set.

- $(x + 2)(x - 3) < 0$
- $(x - 5)(x + 4) \geq 0$
- $x(2x + 7) \geq 0$
- $x(2 - 3x) \leq 0$
- $x^2 - 3x - 18 \leq 0$
- $x^2 + 5x + 6 > 0$
- $2x^2 + x \geq 1$
- $x^2 < x + 2$
- $3x^2 - 3x < 2x^2 + 4$
- $5x^2 + 3x \geq 3x^2 + 2$
- $x^2 > 3(x + 6)$
- $x^2 + 2x > 3$
- $x^2 < 4$
- $x^2 \geq 9$
- $(x + 2)(x - 1)(x - 3) \leq 0$
- $(x - 5)(x - 2)(x + 1) > 0$
- $(x - 4)(x + 2)^2 < 0$
- $(x + 3)^2(x + 1) > 0$
- $(x - 2)^2(x - 3)(x + 1) \leq 0$
- $x^2(x^2 - 1) \geq 0$
- $x^3 - 4x > 0$
- $16x \leq x^3$
- $\frac{x - 3}{x + 1} \geq 0$
- $\frac{2x + 6}{x - 2} < 0$
- $\frac{4x}{2x + 3} > 2$
- $-2 < \frac{x + 1}{x - 3}$
- $\frac{2x + 1}{x - 5} \leq 3$
- $\frac{3 + x}{3 - x} \geq 1$
- $\frac{4}{x} < x$
- $\frac{x}{x + 1} > 3x$
- $1 + \frac{2}{x + 1} \leq \frac{2}{x}$
- $\frac{3}{x - 1} - \frac{4}{x} \geq 1$
- $\frac{6}{x - 1} - \frac{6}{x} \geq 1$
- $\frac{x}{2} \geq \frac{5}{x + 1} + 4$
- $\frac{x + 2}{x + 3} < \frac{x - 1}{x - 2}$
- $\frac{1}{x + 1} + \frac{1}{x + 2} \leq 0$
- $x^4 > x^2$
- $x^5 > x^2$

73–88 ■ Solve the absolute value inequality. Express the answer using interval notation and graph the solution set.

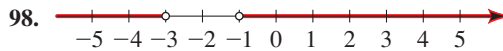
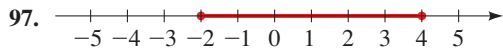
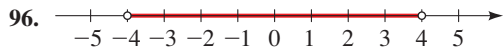
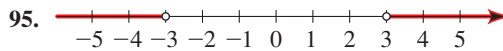
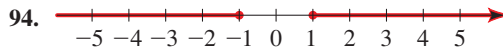
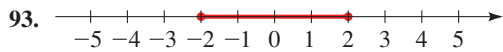
- $|x| \leq 4$
- $|3x| < 15$
- $|2x| > 7$
- $\frac{1}{2}|x| \geq 1$
- $|x - 5| \leq 3$
- $|x + 1| \geq 1$
- $|2x - 3| \leq 0.4$
- $|5x - 2| < 6$
- $|3x - 2| \geq 5$
- $|8x + 3| > 12$
- $\left| \frac{x - 2}{3} \right| < 2$
- $\left| \frac{x + 1}{2} \right| \geq 4$
- $|x + 6| < 0.001$
- $3 - |2x + 4| \leq 1$
- $8 - |2x - 1| \geq 6$
- $7|x + 2| + 5 > 4$

89–92 ■ A phrase describing a set of real numbers is given. Express the phrase as an inequality involving an absolute value.

- All real numbers x less than 3 units from 0

90. All real numbers x more than 2 units from 0
 91. All real numbers x at least 5 units from 7
 92. All real numbers x at most 4 units from 2

93–98 ■ A set of real numbers is graphed. Find an inequality involving an absolute value that describes the set.



99–102 ■ Determine the values of the variable for which the expression is defined as a real number.

99. $\sqrt{16 - 9x^2}$ 100. $\sqrt{3x^2 - 5x + 2}$

101. $\left(\frac{1}{x^2 - 5x - 14}\right)^{1/2}$ 102. $\sqrt[4]{\frac{1-x}{2+x}}$

103. Solve the inequality for x , assuming that a , b , and c are positive constants.

(a) $a(bx - c) \geq bc$ (b) $a \leq bx + c < 2a$

104. Suppose that a , b , c , and d are positive numbers such that

$$\frac{a}{b} < \frac{c}{d}$$

Show that $\frac{a}{b} < \frac{a+c}{b+d} < \frac{c}{d}$.

APPLICATIONS

105. **Temperature Scales** Use the relationship between C and F given in Example 9 to find the interval on the Fahrenheit scale corresponding to the temperature range $20 \leq C \leq 30$.
106. **Temperature Scales** What interval on the Celsius scale corresponds to the temperature range $50 \leq F \leq 95$?
107. **Car Rental Cost** A car rental company offers two plans for renting a car.
 Plan A: \$30 per day and 10¢ per mile
 Plan B: \$50 per day with free unlimited mileage
 For what range of miles will Plan B save you money?
108. **Long-Distance Cost** A telephone company offers two long-distance plans.
 Plan A: \$25 per month and 5¢ per minute
 Plan B: \$5 per month and 12¢ per minute
 For how many minutes of long-distance calls would Plan B be financially advantageous?

109. **Driving Cost** It is estimated that the annual cost of driving a certain new car is given by the formula

$$C = 0.35m + 2200$$

where m represents the number of miles driven per year and C is the cost in dollars. Jane has purchased such a car and decides to budget between \$6400 and \$7100 for next year's driving costs. What is the corresponding range of miles that she can drive her new car?

110. **Air Temperature** As dry air moves upward, it expands and, in so doing, cools at a rate of about 1°C for each 100-meter rise, up to about 12 km.
 (a) If the ground temperature is 20°C , write a formula for the temperature at height h .
 (b) What range of temperatures can be expected if a plane takes off and reaches a maximum height of 5 km?
111. **Airline Ticket Price** A charter airline finds that on its Saturday flights from Philadelphia to London all 120 seats will be sold if the ticket price is \$200. However, for each \$3 increase in ticket price, the number of seats sold decreases by one.
 (a) Find a formula for the number of seats sold if the ticket price is P dollars.
 (b) Over a certain period the number of seats sold for this flight ranged between 90 and 115. What was the corresponding range of ticket prices?

112. **Accuracy of a Scale** A coffee merchant sells a customer 3 lb of Hawaiian Kona at \$6.50 per pound. The merchant's scale is accurate to within ± 0.03 lb. By how much could the customer have been overcharged or undercharged because of possible inaccuracy in the scale?

113. **Gravity** The gravitational force F exerted by the earth on an object having a mass of 100 kg is given by the equation

$$F = \frac{4,000,000}{d^2}$$

where d is the distance (in km) of the object from the center of the earth, and the force F is measured in newtons (N). For what distances will the gravitational force exerted by the earth on this object be between 0.0004 N and 0.01 N?

114. **Bonfire Temperature** In the vicinity of a bonfire the temperature T in $^\circ\text{C}$ at a distance of x meters from the center of the fire was given by

$$T = \frac{600,000}{x^2 + 300}$$

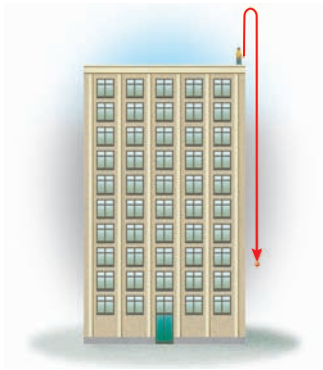
At what range of distances from the fire's center was the temperature less than 500°C ?



- 115. Falling Ball** Using calculus, it can be shown that if a ball is thrown upward with an initial velocity of 16 ft/s from the top of a building 128 ft high, then its height h above the ground t seconds later will be

$$h = 128 + 16t - 16t^2$$

During what time interval will the ball be at least 32 ft above the ground?

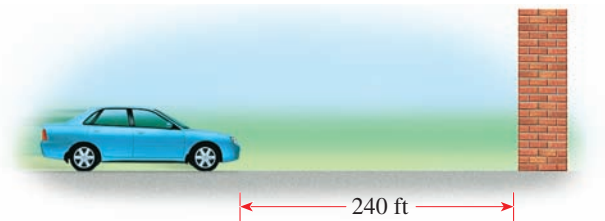


- 116. Gas Mileage** The gas mileage g (measured in mi/gal) for a particular vehicle, driven at v mi/h, is given by the formula $g = 10 + 0.9v - 0.01v^2$, as long as v is between 10 mi/h and 75 mi/h. For what range of speeds is the vehicle's mileage 30 mi/gal or better?

- 117. Stopping Distance** For a certain model of car the distance d required to stop the vehicle if it is traveling at v mi/h is given by the formula

$$d = v + \frac{v^2}{20}$$

where d is measured in feet. Kerry wants her stopping distance not to exceed 240 ft. At what range of speeds can she travel?



- 118. Manufacturer's Profit** If a manufacturer sells x units of a certain product, revenue R and cost C (in dollars) are given by

$$R = 20x$$

$$C = 2000 + 8x + 0.0025x^2$$

Use the fact that

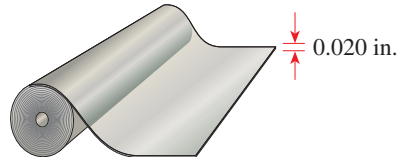
$$\text{profit} = \text{revenue} - \text{cost}$$

to determine how many units the manufacturer should sell to enjoy a profit of at least \$2400.

- 119. Fencing a Garden** A determined gardener has 120 ft of deer-resistant fence. She wants to enclose a rectangular vegetable garden in her backyard, and she wants the area that is enclosed to be at least 800 ft². What range of values is possible for the length of her garden?

- 120. Thickness of a Laminate** A company manufactures industrial laminates (thin nylon-based sheets) of thickness 0.020 in, with a tolerance of 0.003 in.

- (a) Find an inequality involving absolute values that describes the range of possible thickness for the laminate.
(b) Solve the inequality you found in part (a).



- 121. Range of Height** The average height of adult males is 68.2 in, and 95% of adult males have height h that satisfies the inequality

$$\left| \frac{h - 68.2}{2.9} \right| \leq 2$$

Solve the inequality to find the range of heights.

DISCOVERY ■ DISCUSSION ■ WRITING

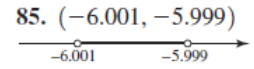
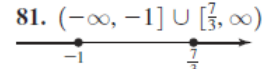
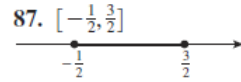
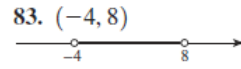
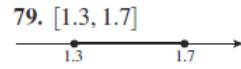
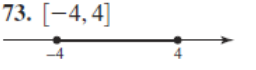
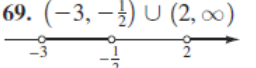
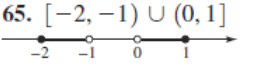
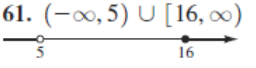
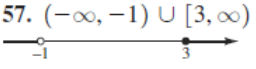
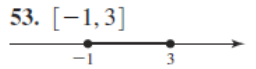
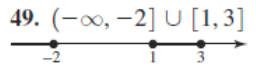
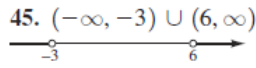
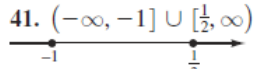
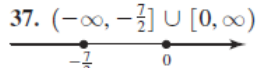
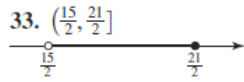
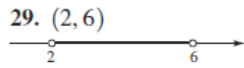
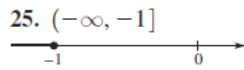
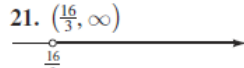
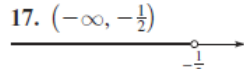
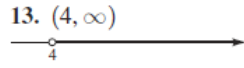
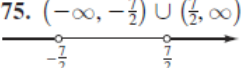
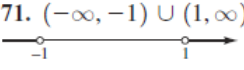
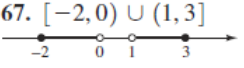
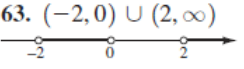
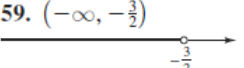
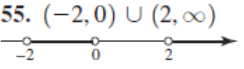
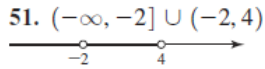
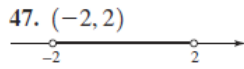
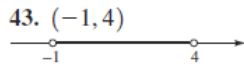
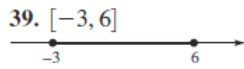
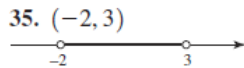
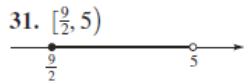
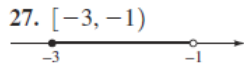
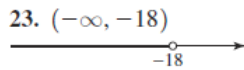
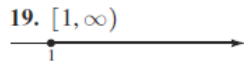
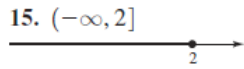
- 122. Do Powers Preserve Order?** If $a < b$, is $a^2 < b^2$? (Check both positive and negative values for a and b .) If $a < b$, is $a^3 < b^3$? On the basis of your observations, state a general rule about the relationship between a^n and b^n when $a < b$ and n is a positive integer.

- 123. What's Wrong Here?** It is tempting to try to solve an inequality like an equation. For instance, we might try to solve $1 < 3/x$ by multiplying both sides by x , to get $x < 3$, so the solution would be $(-\infty, 3)$. But that's wrong; for example, $x = -1$ lies in this interval but does not satisfy the original inequality. Explain why this method doesn't work (think about the *sign* of x). Then solve the inequality correctly.

- 124. Using Distances to Solve Absolute Value Inequalities** Recall that $|a - b|$ is the distance between a and b on the number line. For any number x , what do $|x - 1|$ and $|x - 3|$ represent? Use this interpretation to solve the inequality $|x - 1| < |x - 3|$ geometrically. In general, if $a < b$, what is the solution of the inequality $|x - a| < |x - b|$?

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1. (a) $<$ (b) \leq (c) \leq (d) $>$ 2. (a) True (b) False
 3. (a) $[-3, 3]$ (b) $(-\infty, -3], [3, \infty)$ 4. (a) < 3 (b) > 3
 5. $\{\sqrt{2}, 2, 4\}$ 7. $\{4\}$ 9. $\{-2, -1, 2, 4\}$
 11. $(-\infty, \frac{7}{2}]$



89. $|x| < 3$ 91. $|x - 7| \geq 5$ 93. $|x| \leq 2$ 95. $|x| > 3$
 97. $|x - 1| \leq 3$ 99. $-\frac{4}{3} \leq x \leq \frac{4}{3}$ 101. $x < -2$ or $x > 7$
 103. (a) $x \geq \frac{c}{a} + \frac{c}{b}$ (b) $\frac{a - c}{b} \leq x < \frac{2a - c}{b}$
 105. $68 \leq F \leq 86$ 107. More than 200 mi
 109. Between 12,000 mi and 14,000 mi
 111. (a) $-\frac{1}{3}P + \frac{560}{3}$ (b) From \$215 to \$290
 113. Distances between 20,000 km and 100,000 km
 115. From 0 s to 3 s 117. Between 0 and 60 mi/h
 119. Between 20 and 40 ft 121. Between 62.4 and 74.0 in.