MIXED REVIEW of Problem Solving

- 1. **MULTI-STEP PROBLEM** A nanotube thermometer is so tiny that it is invisible to the human eye. The thermometer can measure temperatures from 50°C to 500°C.
  - **a.** Write and solve a compound inequality to find the temperatures (in degrees Fahrenheit) that the thermometer can measure.
  - **b.** Graph your solution of the inequality.
  - **c.** Can the thermometer measure a temperature of 1000°F? *Explain*.
- 2. SHORT RESPONSE You earned the following scores on five science tests: 75, 82, 90, 84, and 71. You want to have an average score of at least 80 after you take the sixth test.
  - **a.** Write and solve an inequality to find the possible scores that you can earn on your sixth test in order to meet your goal.
  - **b.** The greatest score that you can earn on a test is 100. Is it possible for you to have an average score of 90 after the sixth test? *Explain* your reasoning.
- **3. GRIDDED ANSWER** You need at least 34 eggs to make enough chiffon cakes for a bake sale. Your grocery store sells cartons of eggs only by the dozen. Of all the possible numbers of cartons that you can buy, which is the least number?
- **4. MULTI-STEP PROBLEM** You have a \$300 gift card to use at a sporting goods store.
  - a. You want to use your card to buy 2 pairs of shoes for \$85 each and several pairs of socks. Write and solve an inequality to find the possible amounts of money that you can spend on socks using your card.
  - **b.** Suppose that socks cost \$4.75 per pair. Write and solve an inequality to find the possible numbers of socks that you can buy using the card.
- **5. OPEN-ENDED** *Describe* a real-world situation that can be modeled by the inequality  $17x \le 240$ . *Explain* what the solution of the inequality means in this situation.

- 6. SHORT RESPONSE A rafting guide plans to take 6 adults on a rafting trip. The raft can hold up to 1520 pounds. The guide weighs 180 pounds and estimates that each adult will bring 10 pounds of baggage.
  - a. Write and solve an inequality to find the possible average weights of an adult such that the raft will not exceed its maximum weight capacity.



Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them.

**b.** Suppose that the weights of the adults range from 105 pounds to 200 pounds. Can the raft

accommodate all the people and the baggage at one time? *Justify* your answer.

**7. EXTENDED RESPONSE** In 1862 the United States imposed a tax on annual income in order to pay for the expenses of the Civil War. The table shows the tax rates for different incomes.

Annual income	Tax rate
\$600 to \$10,000	3% of income
Greater than \$10,000	3% of the first \$10,000 plus 5% of income over \$10,000

- **a.** Write a compound inequality that represents the possible taxes paid by a person whose annual income was at least \$600 but not greater than \$10,000.
- **b.** For people whose taxes ranged from \$400 to \$750, tell whether their annual incomes were greater than \$10,000 or less than \$10,000. *Explain* how you know. Then find the possible annual incomes of those people.
- **c.** Suppose that the tax rate had been 4% of the total income for people whose annual incomes were greater than \$10,000. For which incomes would paying the 4% rate have resulted in less taxes than paying the tax rate described above? *Explain*.