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Study Guide

For use with the lesson "Solve Compound Inequalities"

GOAL Solve and graph compound inequalities.

Vocabulary

A **compound inequality** consists of two separate inequalities joined by *and* or *or*.

EXAMPLE 1 Write and graph a compound inequality

Translate the verbal phrases into an inequality. Then graph the inequality.

a. All real numbers that are less than or equal to 7 *or* greater than or equal to 10.

Inequality: $x \le 7$ or $x \ge 10$



b. All real numbers that are greater than -1 and less than or equal to 1.

Inequality: -1 < x < 1



Exercises for Example 1

Translate the verbal phrases into an inequality. Then graph the inequality.

- **1.** All real numbers that are less than -3 or greater than 0.
- 2. All real numbers that are less than 9 *and* greater than or equal to 7.
- **3.** All real numbers that are greater than or equal to 14 *or* less than or equal to 10.

EXAMPLE2 Solve a compound inequality with and

Solve $7 \le x - 4 \le 12$. Graph your solution.

Solution

$7 \leq$	<i>x</i> – 4	≤ 12	Write original inequality.
$7+4 \leq x$	- 4 + 4	$4 \le 12 + 4$	Add 4 to each expression.
11 ≤	x	≤16	Simplify.

The solutions are all real numbers greater than or equal to 11 *and* less than or equal to 16.



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EXAMPLE3 Solve a compound inequality with or

Solve 3x + 4 < 16 or 5x - 12 > 13. Graph your solution.

Solution

Solve the two inequalities separately.

3x + 4 < 16	or	5x - 12 > 13	Write original inequality.
3x + 4 - 4 < 16 - 4	or	5x - 12 + 12 > 13 + 12	Use addition or subtraction property of inequality.
3 <i>x</i> < 12	or	5x > 25	Simplify.
$\frac{3x}{3} < \frac{12}{3}$	or	$\frac{5x}{5} > \frac{25}{5}$	Use division property of inequality.
<i>x</i> < 4	or	x > 5	Simplify.

The solutions are all real numbers less than 4 *or* greater than 5.

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-1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	

Exercises for Examples 2 and 3

Solve the inequality. Graph your solution.

- **4.** 9 < 2x + 3 < 15
- **5.** $30 \ge -7x 12 > 16$
- **6.** $28 \le 4(2x 3) \le 68$
- **7.** 3x 7 < 11 or x + 4 > 15
- **8.** $\frac{1}{2}(x+18) > 6$ or 7x + 5 < -51
- **9.** 3x + 8 > 7x 12 or 9(x 2) > 8x 9