

# 2.4 Solving Multi-Step Inequalities

When multiplying or dividing by a negative number you **MUST** reverse the sign.

$\begin{array}{r} -7x + 5 = -23 \\ \underline{-5 \quad -5} \\ -7x = -28 \\ \underline{-7 \quad -7} \\ x = 4 \end{array}$	verses	$\begin{array}{r} -7x + 5 > -23 \\ \underline{-5 \quad -5} \\ -7x > -28 \\ \underline{-7 \quad -7} \\ x < 4 \end{array}$
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Examples:

a)  $9r + 15 \leq 24 + 10r$

$$\begin{array}{r} 9r + 15 \leq 24 + 10r \\ \underline{-9r \quad -9r} \\ 15 \leq 24 + r \\ \underline{-24 \quad -24} \\ -9 \leq r \end{array}$$

LDL  $r \geq -9$

b)  $(4x - 2) > (-4) \cdot 5$

$$\begin{array}{r} 4x - 2 > -20 \\ \underline{+2 \quad +2} \\ 4x > -18 \\ \underline{\div 4 \quad \div 4} \\ x > -\frac{9}{2} \end{array}$$

c)  $3(z+1) + 11 < -2(z+13)$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3z + 3 + 11 < -2z - 26 \\ \underline{+2z \quad +2z} \\ 3z + 14 < -2z - 26 \\ \underline{-14 \quad -14} \\ 5z < -40 \\ \underline{\div 5 \quad \div 5} \\ z < -8 \end{array}$$

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## 2.4 Solving Multi Step Inequalities with work

Your Turn:

$$d) 5n - 3(n - 6) \geq 0$$

$$5n - 3n + 18 \geq 0$$

$$2n + 18 \geq 0$$

$$\frac{2n - 18}{2} \quad \frac{-18}{2}$$

$$n \geq -9$$

$$n \geq -9 \quad \checkmark$$

$$e) 3 + 5t \leq 3(t + 1) - 4(2 - t)$$

$$3 + 5t \leq 3t + 3 - 8 + 4t$$

$$3 + 5t \leq 7t - 5$$

$$\frac{3 - 5t}{+5} \leq \frac{7t - 5}{+5}$$

$$8 \leq 2t$$

$$\frac{8}{2} \leq \frac{2t}{2}$$

$$4 \leq t$$

$$t \geq 4 \quad \checkmark$$

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### Unique solutions.

Examples:

$$a) 3x + 1 = 3x + 1 \quad \checkmark$$

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$$3x = 3x \quad \checkmark$$

$$x = x \quad \checkmark$$

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$$b) 3x + 1 < 3x + 2$$

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

$$0 < 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\mathbb{R}$$

Your Turn:

$$c) 3x + 7 < 3x + 2$$

$$\frac{3x + 7}{-7} < \frac{3x + 2}{-7}$$

$$\frac{3x - 3x - 5}{-3x - 3x}$$

$$0 < -5 \quad \times$$

$$\emptyset$$

if...  
 $x \leq x$   
 $\Rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$d) 3x + 1 < 3x + 1$$

$$\frac{3x + 1}{-1} < \frac{3x + 1}{-1}$$

$$\frac{3x - 3x}{-3} < \frac{3x - 3x}{-3}$$

$$x < x \quad \times$$

$$\emptyset$$

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A: 12 - 16(e), 24 - 30(e), 33, 34, 36, 41 - 43

B: 8 - 32(e), 33, 34, 36, 41 - 43

C: 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, 28, 30, 32, 33, 43