

# Learning Target: I can graph linear inequalities.

## 1.1B Graphing Linear Inequalities

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### Section 1.1B

We use **inequalities** when there is a range of possible answers for a situation. "Larry can only work 24 or fewer hours each week", "This team needs to score at least one goal to have a chance of winning," and "To get a B this trimester I need more than 45 points on the final exam" are all examples of situations where a restriction or **constraint** is specified, but a range of possibilities exists within that constraint. In this section we will be investigating representations of inequalities.

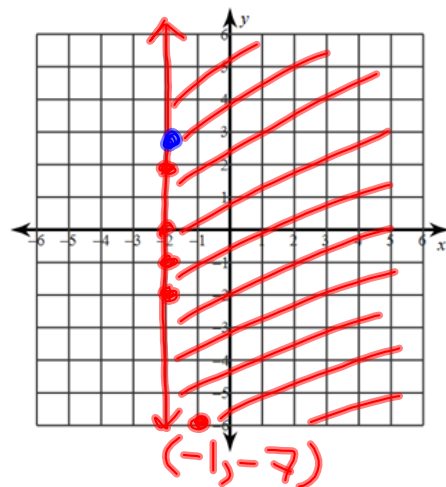
- 1) c) List ordered pairs  $(x, y)$  that satisfy the inequality  $x \geq -2$ .

$(-2, 4), (-2, 3000)$   
 $(-2, 30), (-2, 100)$

| x          | y |
|------------|---|
| $(-2, -2)$ |   |
| $(-2, -1)$ |   |
| $(-2, 0)$  |   |
| $(-2, 2)$  |   |

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- d) On a coordinate plane, graph the above ordered pairs and all ordered pairs that make the inequality  $x \geq -2$  true.



shaded  
solution

- e) What does the shaded section of the **number line graph** represent?

it represents the solution

- f) What does the shaded section of the **coordinate plane graph** represent?

it represents the solution

- g) Is the coordinate pair  $(-2, 3)$  a solution to the inequality  $x \geq -2$ ? Why or why not?

✓  $(-2, 3)$  is a solution  
 b/c  $-2 \geq -2$

2)

- c) List ordered pairs  $(x, y)$  that satisfy the inequality  $y < -4$ .

Can  $y$  equal  $-4$  exactly?

No!

| $x$ | $y$ |
|-----|-----|
| -2  | -5  |
| 0   | -6  |
| 1   | -5  |
| 2   | -7  |

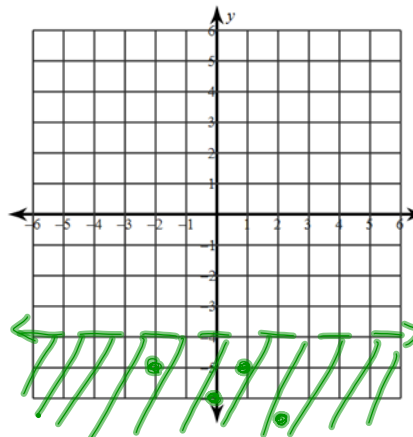
- d) On a coordinate plane, graph the above ordered pairs and all ordered pairs that make the inequality  $y < -4$  true.

- e) What does the shaded section of the **number line graph** represent?

the solution

What does the shaded section of the **coordinate plane graph** represent?

the solution



- f) How, on a **number line**, do you show that the value  $y = -4$  is **not** included as a solution?

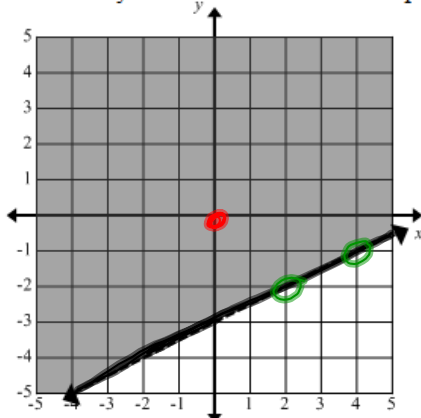


How, in a **coordinate plane**, do you show that an ordered pair containing a  $y$ -value of  $-4$  (for example  $(3, -4)$ ) is **not** included as a solution?

dashed line

## Two Variable Inequalities

- 7) For each inequality graphed, determine the correct inequality symbol to correctly represent the graph. Show how you determined which inequality symbol to use.

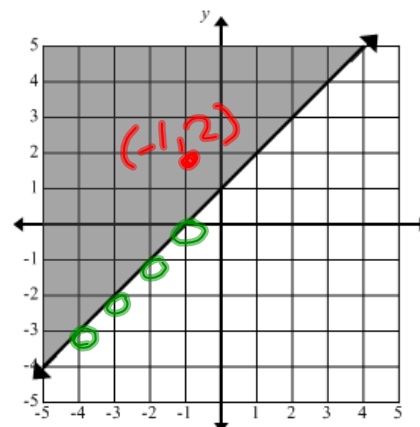


Points on the boundary line

| $x$ | $y$ |
|-----|-----|
| 4   | -1  |
| 2   | -2  |
| 0   | -3  |
| -2  | -4  |

Points on the boundary line

| $x$ | $y$ |
|-----|-----|
| -4  | -3  |
| -3  | -2  |
| -2  | -1  |
| -1  | 0   |



7a)  $y \geq \frac{1}{2}x - 3$

check:

$0 \geq \frac{1}{2}(0) - 3$

$0 \geq -3$

$y = \frac{1}{2}(0) - 3$

$y = -3$

$y = \frac{1}{2}(-2) - 3$   
 $= -1 - 3 = -4$

7b)  $x - y \leq -1$

check:

$-1 - 2 \leq -1$

$-3 \leq -1$