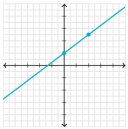


P.3 **LINEAR** Equations and Inequalities

- Objectives: 1) I can determine if an equation is linear.  
 2) I can solve multi-step linear equations.  
 3) I can solve linear inequalities.



What makes a linear equation?

A **linear equation** in 1 variable- is an equation that has one unknown and the unknown is written to the first power.

$$ax + b = 0$$

Examples

$$4x - 3 = 12 \qquad \frac{2}{3}y + \frac{1}{5} = \frac{2}{15}$$

$$\frac{2}{x} = 20 \qquad x^2 - 3 = 27$$

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Solving Linear Equations

Ex 1 which of the following numbers are a solution.

$$3(x - 1) = -2x + 12$$

- a)  $x=5$                       b)  $x=3$

More examples (use **inverse operations!**)

Ex. 1

$$3y - 2 + 5y = 2y + 5 + 4y + 3$$

Ex. 2

$$4(x + 3) = x - 3(x - 2)$$

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Ex. 3

$$\frac{x+3}{6} = 2x$$

Ex. 4

$$\frac{3y}{2} + \frac{y}{6} = \frac{10}{3}$$

Solve the inequalities and graph the solution.

$$5x - 1 \leq 14$$

$$5x - 1 \geq 3x + 8$$

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$$x - 4 \geq 5x + 12$$

$$3 < -3x - 9$$

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Representing Inequalities Using a Real Number Line and Interval Notation

| Table 7                          |                                      |       |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------|
| Interval                         | Inequality Notation                  | Graph |
| The open interval $(a, b)$       | $\{x   a < x < b\}$                  |       |
| The closed interval $[a, b]$     | $\{x   a \leq x \leq b\}$            |       |
| The half-open interval $[a, b)$  | $\{x   a \leq x < b\}$               |       |
| The half-open interval $(a, b]$  | $\{x   a < x \leq b\}$               |       |
| The interval $[a, \infty)$       | $\{x   x \geq a\}$                   |       |
| The interval $(a, \infty)$       | $\{x   x > a\}$                      |       |
| The interval $(-\infty, a]$      | $\{x   x \leq a\}$                   |       |
| The interval $(-\infty, a)$      | $\{x   x < a\}$                      |       |
| The interval $(-\infty, \infty)$ | $\{x   x \text{ is a real number}\}$ |       |

Solve the compound inequalities and graph.

$$-2 < 3x + 1 < 10$$

$$-3 < -4x + 1 < 13$$

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