

# Inequalities with negative numbers

1 Complete the workings to solve the equation and inequality.

$17 - 4x = 9$   
 $\quad + 4x$   $\quad + 4x$   
 $\quad \quad \quad \square = 9 + 4x$   
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$17 - 4x > 9$   
 $\quad + 4x$   $\quad + 4x$   
 $\quad \quad \quad \square \bigcirc 9 + 4x$   
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2 Match the inequalities to the solutions.

$5x - 8 > 56$

$x \leq 6\frac{3}{8}$

$56 - 5x < 8$

$x > 12\frac{4}{5}$

$8x - 5 \leq 56$

$x \leq 7\frac{5}{8}$

$5 \leq 56 - 8x$

$x > 9\frac{3}{5}$

3 Amir, Jack and Rosie have attempted to solve  $40 - 3x \leq 10$   
Find their mistakes and correct them.

**Amir**

$$40 - 3x \leq 10$$

$$-3x \leq -30$$

$$x \leq 10$$

**Jack**

$$40 - 3x \leq 10$$

$$-3x \leq -30$$

$$x > 10$$

**Rosie**

$$40 - 3x \leq 10$$

$$40 \leq 10 + 3x$$

$$30 \leq 3x$$

$$10 \leq x$$

$$x \leq 10$$

Whose method do you prefer?

Explain your choice to a partner.

4 Solve the inequalities.

a)  $-\frac{1}{2}x > 45$

d)  $-49 < -7x$

b)  $-5x + 24 < 54$

e)  $-x - 5 \geq 20$

c)  $15 \geq 30 - \frac{1}{2}x$

f)  $12 - \frac{x}{3} > -10$

5 Rosie solves  $3(2 - x) > 15$  and  $24 > 12(3 - 2x)$  using two different methods.

a) Complete her workings.

Method 1

$$\begin{array}{l}
 3(2 - x) > 15 \\
 6 - 3x > 15 \\
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 \end{array}$$

Method 2

$$\begin{array}{l}
 24 > 12(3 - 2x) \\
 2 > 3 - 2x \\
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 \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \\
 \underline{\hspace{2cm}}
 \end{array}$$

b) Use your preferred method to solve  $24 > 5(13 - 4x)$ .

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Compare your choice of method with a partner's.



6 Solve the inequalities.

a)  $3(4 - x) > 30$

c)  $100 > 10(4 - x)$

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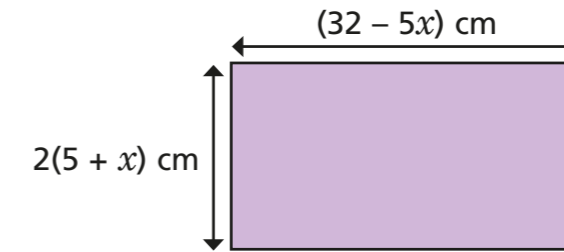
b)  $2(x + 13) < 14$

d)  $-2(x + 5) > 16$

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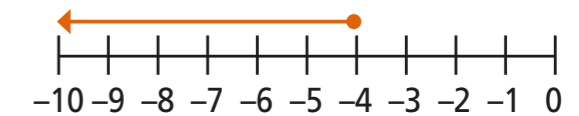
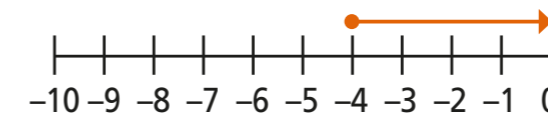
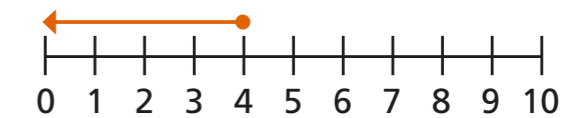
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7 The perimeter of the rectangle is greater than 63 cm.  
If  $x$  is an integer, what is the largest possible value of  $x$ ?



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8 Which number line represents the solution to  $1 \leq 9 - 2x$ ? Tick your answer.



9 Find a value of  $p$  that satisfies both of the inequalities.

$$p - 7 > -4 \quad \text{and} \quad 2p - 7 < 5$$

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Compare answers with a partner.

