

Compound Inequalities

- consist of two inequalities connected by the words "and" or "or"
- "and" problems: solution must work for both inequalities
- "or" problems: solution must work for one or the other inequality

Write an inequality and graph the solution.

1. All numbers that are greater than or equal to -2 and less than 3.

x

\geq

$<$

$$-2 \leq x < 3$$

Combine
these two

$$x \geq -2$$

$$x < 3$$



Write an inequality and graph the solution.

2. All numbers that are less than or equal to -3 or greater than 0.

x

\leq

$>$

$$x \leq -3 \text{ or } x > 0$$



Solve and graph.

$$3. -5 \leq 2x + 3 < 7$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -5 & \leq & 2x + 3 \\ -3 & & -3 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{-8}{2} \leq \frac{2x}{2}$$

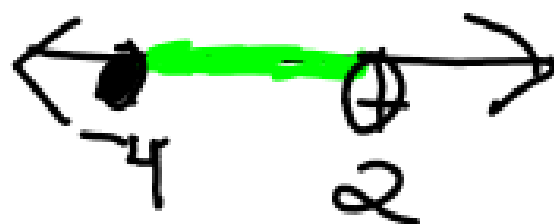
$$-4 \leq x$$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} 2x + 3 & < & 7 \\ -3 & & -3 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{2x}{2} < \frac{4}{2}$$

$$x < 2$$

$$-4 \leq x < 2$$



Solve and graph.

4. $6x - 5 < 7$ or $8x + 1 > 25$

$$+5 +5$$

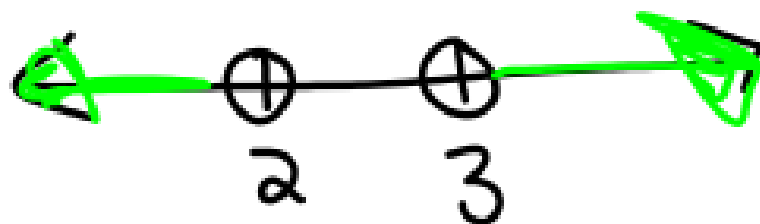
$$-1 -1$$

$$6x < 12$$

$$8x > 24$$

$$x < 2$$

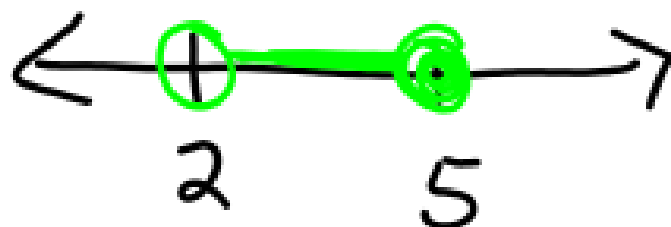
$$x > 3$$



Solve and graph, then state if the x-value is a solution.

5. $-1 < 7x - 15 \leq 20$; $x = 5$

$$\begin{array}{rcl} -1 < 7x - 15 & \text{and} & 7x - 15 \leq 20 \\ +15 & & +15 \\ \hline \frac{14}{7} < \frac{7x}{7} & & \frac{7x}{7} \leq \frac{35}{7} \\ 2 < x & & x \leq 5 \end{array}$$



$x = 5$ is a solution