

Lesson 5.2 Notes (Solving Inequalities by Multiplication and Division)**Objectives:**

- Solve linear inequalities by using multiplication.
- Solve linear inequalities by using division.

Multiplication Property of Inequality:

- You can multiply each side of an inequality by the same number, just as you did with equations.
 - Multiply by a positive number → direction of the inequality stays the same
 - Multiply by a negative number → direction of the inequality reverses direction

Division Property of Inequality:

- You can divide each side of an inequality by the same number, just as you did with equations.
 - Divide by a positive number → direction of the inequality stays the same
 - Divide by a negative number → direction of the inequality reverses direction

$$\begin{array}{l}
 10 > -5 \\
 \frac{10}{-5} > \frac{-5}{-5} \quad \text{Divide both sides by } -5. \\
 -2 > 1 \quad * \quad \text{False}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 10 > -5 \\
 \frac{10}{-5} < \frac{-5}{-5} \quad \text{Reverse the inequality.} \\
 -2 < 1 \quad \checkmark \quad \text{True}
 \end{array}$$

Examples: Solve each inequality.

$$\begin{array}{l}
 1. \frac{7}{3} - \frac{3}{7}r < 21 \quad \cdot \frac{7}{3} \\
 \boxed{r > -49}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 2. (-6) \frac{n}{6} \leq 8 \quad \cdot (-6) \\
 \boxed{n \geq -48}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 3. 7 \frac{b}{7} > -9 \cdot 7 \\
 \boxed{b > -63}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 4. \frac{60t}{60} > \frac{-8}{60} \\
 \boxed{t > -\frac{2}{15}}
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l}
 5. \frac{-7d}{-7} \leq \frac{147}{-7} \\
 \boxed{d \geq -21}
 \end{array}$$

Application Examples – Define a variable, write an inequality, and solve each problem.

6. Half of a number is at least 14.

$$\frac{1}{2}n \geq 14$$

$$n \geq 28$$

7. One fifth of a number is at most negative 30.

$$\frac{1}{5}n \leq -30$$

$$n \leq -150$$

8. Negative four times a number is no more than 108.

$$\frac{-4n}{-4} \leq \frac{108}{-4}$$

$$n \geq -27$$

9. The opposite of three times a number is greater than 12.

$$\frac{-3n}{-3} > \frac{12}{-3}$$

$$n < -4$$

10. Negative five times a number is at most 100.

$$\frac{-5n}{-5} \leq \frac{100}{-5}$$

$$n \geq -20$$

11. Of the students surveyed at Madison High School, fewer than 84 said they have never purchased an item online. This is about one-eighth of those surveyed. How many students were surveyed?

$$8 \cdot \frac{1}{8}n < 84 \cdot 8$$

$$n < 672 \Rightarrow$$

672 students surveyed