



## MATHS

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## INEQUALITIES AND INEQUATIONS

#### Example

1. For  $a > 0$  prove that  $\left(a + \frac{1}{a}\right) \geq 2$ .



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2. For all values of  $x$  prove that

$$(2x^2 - 8x + 9) > 0.$$



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3. For  $x \geq -3$  prove that

$$x^3 + 27 + 9x^2 + 27x \geq 0.$$



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4. For  $x > 1$  and  $y > 1$  prove that

$$(x + 1)(y + 1) < 2(xy + 1).$$



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5. if  $a > b > c > 0$ , then prove that

$$\frac{a+b}{2} > \frac{a+b+c}{3} > \frac{b+c}{2}$$



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6. If  $a, b, x, y$  are four unequal real numbers and

$$x^2 + y^2 = 5, a^2 + b^2 = 3, \text{ then prove that}$$

$$ax + by < 4.$$



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7. If  $a, b, c$  are three positive numbers, then  $a/b + b/c + c/a$



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8. Prove that the perimeter of any quadrilateral is greater than the sum of the diagonals.



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9. If  $a$  and  $b$  are two unequal positive real numbers, then prove that  $(a + b) \left( \frac{5}{a} + \frac{1}{5b} \right) > 4$ .



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**10.** If  $x, y, z$  are all positive real number and  $x + y + z = s$ , then prove that  $(s - x)(s - y)(s - z) \geq 8xyz$ .



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**11.** Prove that  $\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{6} > \sqrt{8} + \sqrt{5}$ .



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12. If  $a, b > 0, a \neq b$ , and  $n > 1$ , where  $n$  is an integer, then prove that  $a^n + b^n > a^{n-1}b + ab^{n-1}$ .



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13. If  $a, b, c$  are three positive real numbers then show that  $(a + b + c) \left( \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \geq 9$ .



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14. If  $4x + y = 5$ , then find the greatest value of  $\frac{1}{3}(xy)$ .



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15. If  $\frac{3}{5}xy = 15$ , then find the least value of  $2(x + y)$ .



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16. Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$5(1 - x) < 3(x - 2) - 29.$$



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17. Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$\frac{9x + 7}{2} > \left( x - \frac{x - 2}{7} \right) + 36.$$



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18. Find the solution set of the following system of in—equation.

$$2x - 3 < 0, 4 - 5x < 0.$$



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19. Find the solution sets of the following inequation

$$x^2 - x - 2 > 0$$



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20. Find the solution sets of the following inequation

$$3 - x^2 - 2x > 0.$$



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**21.** Find the solution set of the inequations

$$4 \leq x^2 < 16.$$



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**22.** Solve the equation  $|x - 3| = 2$



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**23.** Express the following removing the absolute sign OR solve the following inequations.

$$|x| \leq 5.$$



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**24.** Express the following removing the absolute sign OR solve the following inequations.

$$|x + 2| < 5.$$



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**25.** Express in absolute value

$$-6 < x < 6.$$



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**26.** Express in absolute value

$$x > 5 \text{ or } x < -1$$



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**27.** Express in absolute value

$$-\sqrt{5} + 2 \leq x \leq \sqrt{5} + 2.$$



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**28.** Find the solution set of the inequation

$$\frac{x}{2} + \frac{y}{3} > 2.$$



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**29.** Find the simultaneous solution sets of the following sets of inequations.

$$(3x + 4y) < 24$$

$$x - 2y < 4.$$



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**30.** Find the simultaneous solution sets of the following sets of inequations.

$$\frac{x}{3} + \frac{y}{4} < 1$$

$$x \geq 0, y \geq 0.$$



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## Exercise

1. State whether the following statements are true or false. If false give the correct answer.

$$a > a + m.$$



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2. State whether the following statements are true or false. If false give the correct answer.

$$a > b \Rightarrow ma > mb.$$



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3. State whether the following statements are true or false. If false give the correct answer.

$$a^3 > a.$$



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4. State whether the following statements are true or false. If false give the correct answer.

$$ma > mb \Rightarrow a^2 > b^2.$$



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5. State whether the following statements are true or false. If false give the correct answer.

$$a > b \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{a} > -\frac{1}{b}.$$



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6. State whether the following statements are true or false. If false give the correct answer.

$$x > 2, x > 3 \Rightarrow x > 2.$$



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7. State whether the following statements are true or false. If false give the correct answer.

$$x < 3, x < 1 \Rightarrow x < 1.$$



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8. State whether the following statements are true or false. If false give the correct answer.

$$x > -1, x < 3 \Rightarrow -1 < x < 3.$$



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9. State whether the following statements are true or false. If false give the correct answer.

$$x \leq 1, x \geq -1 \Rightarrow x \geq 4.$$



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10. State whether the following statements are true or false. If false give the correct answer.

$$x > 2, x < -2 \Rightarrow -2 < x < 2.$$



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**11.** Compare the pairs of real number given below

$$a^3 + 1, a^2 + 1.$$



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**12.** Compare the pairs of real number given below

$$a^3 + b^3, a^2b + ab^2.$$



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**13.** Compare the pairs of real number given below

$$ab + 1, a + b.$$



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**14.** Prove the following where  $a, b, xm, n > 0$

$$m^5 + n^5 \geq m^4n - mn^4.$$



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**15.** Prove the following where  $a, b, xm, n > 0$

$$a^6 + b^6 \geq a^5b + ab^5.$$



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**16.** Prove the following where  $a, b, m, n > 0$

$$a^{m+n} + b^{m+n} \geq a^m b^n + a^n b^m.$$



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**17.** Prove the following where  $m, n > 0$

$$m^3 - n^3 > (m - n)^3, (m > n).$$



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**18.** Prove the following where  $a, b, m, n > 0$

$$\frac{m + 2n}{m + 3n} \geq \frac{m + n}{m + 2n}.$$



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19. Prove the following where  $a, b, x, m, n > 0$

$$\frac{m^3 + n^3}{m^2 + n^2} \geq \frac{m^2 + n^2}{m + n}.$$



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20. Prove the following where  $a, b, x, m, n > 0$

$$\frac{a - c}{b} \geq \frac{b - c}{a} + \frac{a - b}{b} (0 < a < b < c).$$



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**21.** Prove the following where  $a, b, x, m, n > 0$

$$\frac{a^3 + b^3}{a^2 + b^2} > \frac{a^2 + b^2}{a + b} > \frac{a + b}{2} (a \neq b).$$



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**22.** Prove that

$$\frac{1}{a + b} + \frac{1}{a - b} > \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - b^2}} (a > b).$$



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**23.** Prove that

$$\frac{a^2 + b^2}{2} > \left( \frac{a + b}{2} \right) (a \neq b).$$



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**24.** Prove that

$$(a + b)^2 > 14(a + b) - 49(a > 0, b > 0).$$



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**25.** Find the value of  $x$  for which the following expressions acquire greatest value ? Also determine their greatest values.

$$24x - 8 - 9x^2.$$



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**26.** Find the value of  $x$  for which the following expressions acquire greatest value ? Also determine their greatest values.

$$8x - x^2 - 13$$



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**27.** Find the value of  $x$  for which the following expressions are minimum. Also determine their minimum values.

$$4x^2 - 12x + 13.$$



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**28.** Find the value of  $x$  for which the following expressions are minimum. Also determine their minimum values.

$$x^2 - 6x + 40.$$



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**29.** Find the greatest value of  $x$  in order that.

$$7x^2 + 11 \geq x^3 + 17x.$$



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**30.** Find the least value of  $x$  in order that.

$$3x^3 + 7x \geq 8x^2 + 2.$$



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**31.**

$$\frac{b^3 + c^3}{b + c} + \frac{c^3 + a^3}{c + a} + \frac{a^3 + b^3}{a + b} > ab + bc + ca$$



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**32.** If  $a, b, c$  are positive unequal real numbers then  
prove that

$$\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{bc}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{ac}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{ab}}.$$



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**33.** If  $a, b, c$  are positive unequal real numbers then prove that

$$\frac{bc}{a} + \frac{ca}{b} + \frac{ab}{c} \geq a + b + c.$$



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**34.** If  $a, b, c$  are positive unequal real numbers then prove that

$$b^2c^2 + c^2a^2 + a^2b^2 > abc(a + b + c).$$



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**35.** If  $a, b, c$  are positive unequal real numbers then prove that

$$(a + b + c) \left( \frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) > 9$$



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**36.** If  $a, b, c, e, f, g$  are positive unequal real numbers then prove that

$$\left( \frac{a}{e} + \frac{b}{f} + \frac{c}{g} \right) \left( \frac{e}{a} + \frac{f}{b} + \frac{g}{c} \right) > 9$$



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**37.** If  $a, b, c$  are positive unequal real numbers then prove that

$$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 > ab + bc + ca.$$

Hence prove that  $a^3 + b^3 + c^3 > 3abc$



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**38.** prove that

$$\sqrt{7} + \sqrt{12} > \sqrt{6} + \sqrt{13}.$$



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**39.** If  $a, b, c$  are positive unequal real numbers then prove that

$$\sqrt{14} + \sqrt{7} > \sqrt{16} + \sqrt{5}.$$



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**40.** Prove that in any triangle, the semi perimeter is greater than each of its sides.



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**41.** Prove that in any quadrilateral the sum of the diagonals is greater than its semi—perimeter.



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**42.** If  $(a^2 + b^2)(x^2 + y^2) = (ax + by)^2$  then  
prove that  $\frac{x}{a} = \frac{y}{b}$ .



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**43.** If  $a, b, c$  are positive unequal real numbers then  
prove that

$a^2 + b^2 + c^2 = 1 = x^2 + y^2 + z^2$ , then prove that  
 $ax + by + cz \leq 1$ .



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**44.** If  $a, b, c$  and  $x, y, z$  are all positive and unequal, then prove that,

$$(ax + by)(ab + xy) > 4abxy.$$



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**45.** If  $a, b, c$  and  $x, y, z$  are all positive and unequal, then prove that,

$$(b + c)(c + a)(a + b) > 8abc.$$



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**46.** If  $x, y, z$  are all positive real numbers, then prove that,

If  $x + y + z = 1$ , then prove that  
$$(1 - x)(1 - y)(1 - z) \geq 8xyz.$$



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**47.** If  $a, b, c$  and  $x, y, z$  are all positive and unequal, then prove that,

$$(xy + 1)(yz + 1)(zx + 1) > 8xyz \left[ \sqrt{xy} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{xy}} > 2 \right.$$

etc]



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**48.** If  $x + y = 5$ , then find the greatest value of  $10xy$ .



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**49.** If  $2x + 3y = 5$ , then find the greatest value of  $8xy$ .



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**50.** If  $\frac{7}{12}xy = 21$ , then find the minimum value of  $5(x + y)$ .

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**51.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$7(3 - 2x) + 5(x - 1) < 34.$$

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**52.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$5(x - 11) + 4 > 2(x - 15).$$

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**53.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$8(2x - 7) - 9(3x - 14) > 15.$$



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**54.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$13x - 4(5x - 8) + 17 > 0.$$



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**55.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$14(x - 4) + 3(x + 5) < 6(7 - 2x) + 4.$$



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**56.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$a^2(x - a) + b^2(x - b) \geq abx.$$



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**57.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$\frac{x - 6}{5} + \frac{x - 4}{3} \leq 8 - \frac{x - 2}{7}.$$



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**58.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$\frac{x}{10} + \frac{2x - 13}{9} > 8 - \frac{4x - 35}{15}.$$



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**59.** Find the solution sets of the following system of inequations.

$$4x + 3 > 2x + 5$$

$$5x - 6 < 2x + 3.$$



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**60.** Find the solution sets of the following system of inequations.

$$5(1 - x) > 3(x - 2) - 29$$

$$4(2 - x) + 2(3 - 2x) < 30$$



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**61.** Find the solution sets of the following system of inequations.

$$3x + 2 \leq x + 6$$

$$15x - 9 \geq 11x - 25.$$



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**62.** Find the solution sets of the following system of inequations.

$$4(x - 3) \leq 2(x - 6).$$

$$19 - 3x < 5x + 35.$$



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**63.** Find the solution sets of the following system of inequations.

$$3(x - 2) + 7(2x - 3) \geq 5(1 - 2x) - 59.$$

$$13x - 4(5x - 8) + 17 > 0.$$



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**64.** Find the solution set of the following system of inequations.

$$49 + 13(5x + 27) < 8(5 + x) - 3x.$$



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**65.** Find the solution sets of the following system of inequations.

$$14(x - 4) + 3(x + 5) < 6(7 - 2x) + 4.$$



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**66.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$x^2 - 7x + 12 > 0.$$



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**67.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$x^2 - x - 20 < 0.$$



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**68.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$x^2 + x - 20 > 0.$$



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**69.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$x^2 + 2x - 15 < 0.$$



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**70.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$x - x^2 + 6 \geq 0.$$



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71. Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$7x - x^2 - 6 \leq 0.$$



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72. Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$x^2 < 9.$$



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**73.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$x^2 > 16.$$



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**74.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$x^2 < 36.$$



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**75.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$9 < x^2 < 25.$$



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**76.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$1 < x^2 < 4.$$



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**77.** Evaluate the following

$$| - 2 | + | 1 |.$$



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**78.** Evaluate the following

$$| - 4 - 3 |.$$



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**79.** Evaluate the following

$$| 2 - 7 |.$$



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**80.** Evaluate the following

$$|(-2)(4)|$$



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**81.** Evaluate the following

$$\left| -\frac{6}{2} \right|.$$



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**82.** State whether true or false.

$$-|-x| = -(-x).$$



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**83.** State whether true or false.

$$(-x)|x| = x^2.$$



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**84.** State whether true or false.

$$|(-5) + (-7)| = |-5||-7|.$$



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**85.** State whether true or false.

$$|2x| = |-x||x|.$$



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**86.** State whether true or false.

$$|5(-x^2)| = 5|x|^2.$$



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**87.** State whether true or false.

$$|5x| - |3x| = |2x|.$$



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**88.** Solve the equation

$$|x - 4| = 2.$$



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**89.** Solve the equation

$$|2x - 1| = 3.$$



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**90.** Solve the equation

$$|x + 4| = 3.$$



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**91.** Solve the equation

$$|4 - 3x| = 2.$$



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**92.** Solve the equation

$$|6 - x| = -2.$$



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**93.** Solve the equation

$$|x - 1| + |x - 3| = 6.$$



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**94.** Solve the equation

$$|x + 2| + |x + 5| = 7$$



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**95.** Solve the equation

$$|x - 3| = |x + 1|$$



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**96.** Solve the equation

$$|x - 3| = |x - 1|$$



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**97.** Solve the equation

$$|x + 2| = |x - 2|$$



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**98.** Express the following by removing the absolute value sign.

$$|x| < \sqrt{5}.$$



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**99.** Express the following by removing the absolute value sign.

$$|x - 2| < 6.$$



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**100.** Express the following by removing the absolute value sign.

$$|x + 3| \leq 5.$$



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**101.** Express the following by removing the absolute value sign.

$$|2x + 1| > 3.$$



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**102.** Express the following by removing the absolute value sign.

$$|5 - x| \geq 0.$$



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**103.** Express the following by removing the absolute value sign.

$$|3x - 2| > 2.$$



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**104.** Express the following by removing the absolute value sign.

$$|3x - 1|.$$



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**105.** Express the following by removing the absolute value sign.

$$|4x - 3| > x.$$



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**106.** Express the following by removing the absolute value sign.

$$|x - 1||x + 1| < \frac{1}{4}.$$



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**107.** Express the following in terms of absolute value.

$$-\sqrt{6} < x < \sqrt{6}.$$



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**108.** Express the following in terms of absolute value.

$$1 < x < 7.$$



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**109.** Express the following in terms of absolute value.

$$-5 < x < 1.$$



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**110.** Express the following in terms of absolute value.

$$x > 8 \text{ or } x < 2.$$



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**111.** Express the following in terms of absolute value.

$$-7 \leq x \leq -3.$$



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**112.** Express the following in terms of absolute value.

$$x \geq -2 \text{ or } x \leq -6.$$



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**113.** Express the following in terms of absolute value.

$$-8 < (x + 2) < 12.$$



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**114.** Express the following in terms of absolute value.

$$(a - b) < x < a.$$



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**115.** Express the following in terms of absolute value.

$$x > a - b \text{ or } x < a.$$



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**116.** Express the following in terms of absolute value.

$$-8 < (x + 2) < 10.$$



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**117.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$2x + 1 > 3x.$$



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**118.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$5x \geq 3x + 1.$$



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**119.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$x + 2x < 2.$$



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**120.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$2x < 8.$$



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**121.** Find the solution sets of the following inequations.

$$x - 1 > 5.$$



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**122.** Find the simultaneous solution sets of the following sets of inequations.

$$3y > (2x - 6).$$

$$x > 0.$$



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**123.** Find the simultaneous solution sets of the following sets of inequations.

$$y < 2x + 5$$

$$y \geq 0.$$



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**124.** Find the simultaneous solution sets of the following sets of inequations.

$$(2x + y + 4) \geq 0$$

$$x \leq 0, y \leq 0.$$



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**125.** Find the simultaneous solution sets of the following sets of inequations.

$$y > x - 12$$

$$x \geq 0, y \leq 4.$$



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**126.** Find the simultaneous solution sets of the following sets of inequations.

$$y \leq 4x, x < 6, y > 0.$$



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