

**Objective:** I can graph the solution set for a linear inequality.

Recall that an inequality is  $<$ ,  $>$ ,  $\leq$ , or  $\geq$ . So linear inequality is an expression that uses one of the inequality symbols. Here are some examples of linear inequalities.

$$y \geq -2x + 1$$

$$2x + 3y < -6$$

$$x \leq -2$$

$$y > 3$$

Notice that inequalities can be written in standard form or slope-intercept form, just as linear equations can be.

Our goal today is to graph linear inequalities. It is very similar to graphing a line, except the inequality does change a few things.

$$y \leq mx + b$$

To graph in slope-intercept form:

- 1) Plot b on the y-axis
- 2) Use  $m = \frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}}$  to get more points.
- 3) Draw the line.
- 4) Shade the solution set.

$$ax + by \geq c$$

To graph in standard form:

- 1) Find the x and y intercepts or solve for y.
- 2) Draw the line.
- 3) Shade the solution set.

x	y
0	
	0

Draw the line:

SOLID:

$\geq$   $\leq$

DASHED:

$>$   $<$

Shade the solution set:

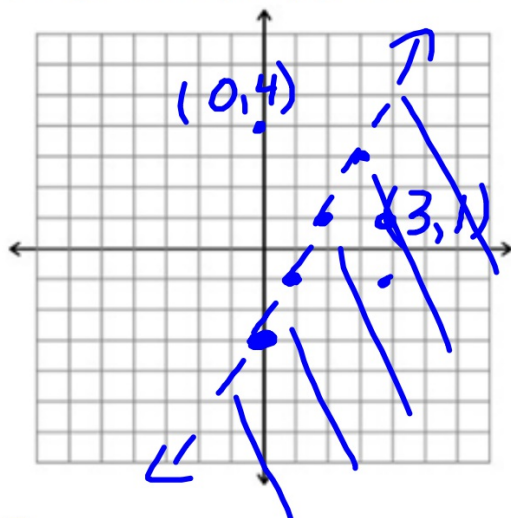
POSITIVE LINE:

greater  
less

NEGATIVE LINE:

greater  
less

Ex 1: Graph the inequality:  $y < 2x - 3$



$$\begin{array}{l|l} 1 < 2(3) - 3 & 4 < 2(0) - 3 \\ 1 < 3 & 4 < -3 \text{ false} \\ \hline \text{true} & \end{array}$$

1) Plot -3 on y-axis

2) Use  $m = \frac{2}{1}$

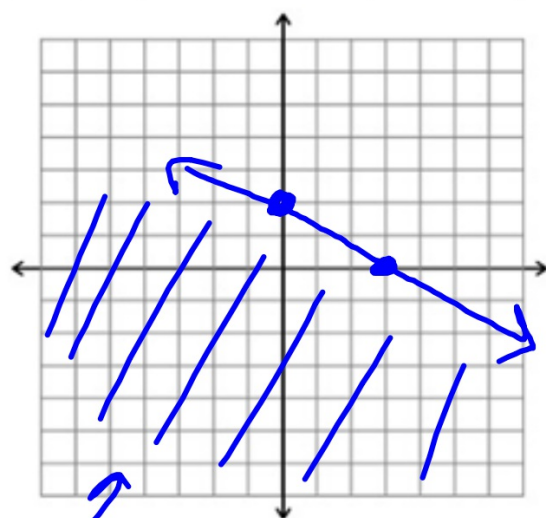
3) Solid or dashed line?  $b/c <$  dashed

4) Shade above or below?

$<$  less than  $\downarrow$

Any point in the shaded region is a solution to  $y < 2x - 3$ .

Ex 2: Graph the inequality:  $2x + 3y \leq 6$



Solution  
area

1) Find the intercepts

X	Y
0	2
3	0

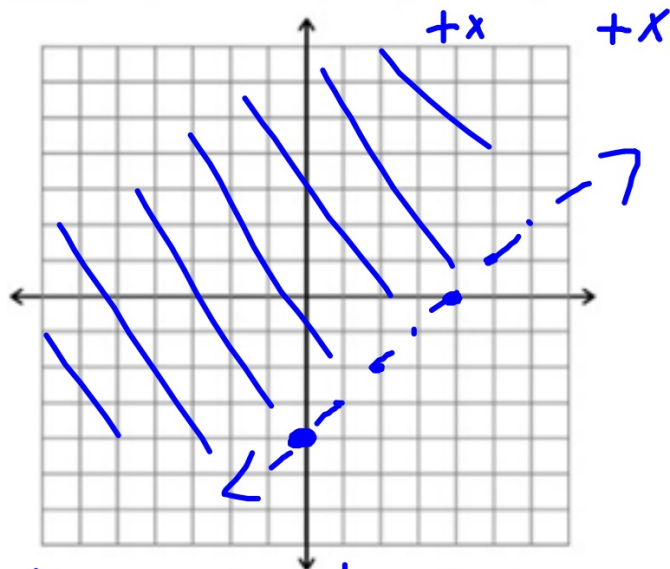
$$3y = 6$$
$$y = 2$$

$$2x = 6$$
$$x = 3$$

Solid  $\leq$

Shade below  
<

Ex 3: Graph the inequality:  $-x + y > -4$



> : dashed line  
Shade above

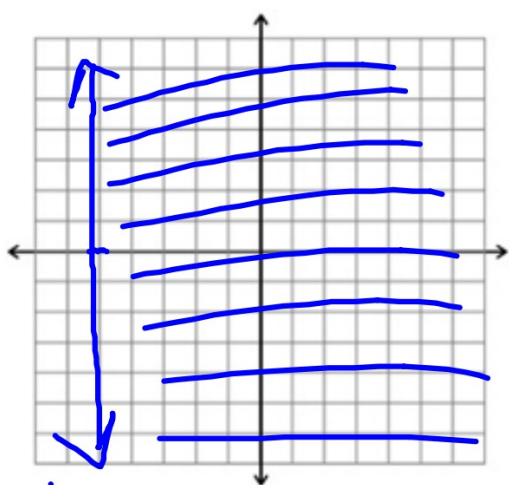
2) Solve for  $y$

$$y > x - 4$$

OR

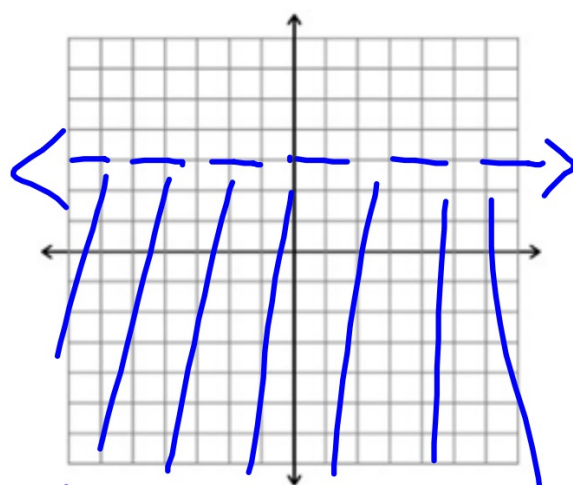
$x$	$y$
0	-4
4	0

Ex 4: Graph the inequality:  $x \geq -5$



thru the  $x$ -axis  
at  $-5$ .  
Solid (or = to)  
greater than

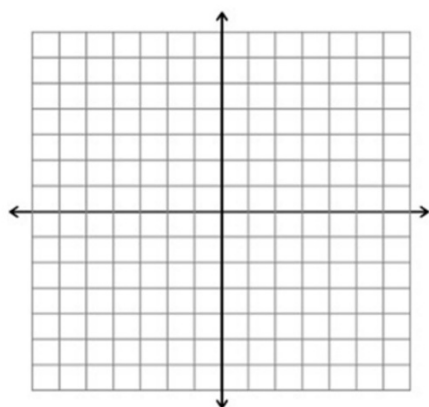
Ex 5: Graph the inequality:  $y < 3$



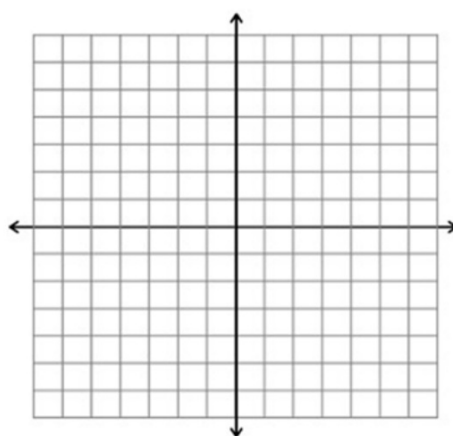
thru the  $y$ -axis  
at  $3$ .  
dashed (no or)  
= to  
less than

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2.  $3x + 2y \geq 6$



10.  $4x + y > 4$



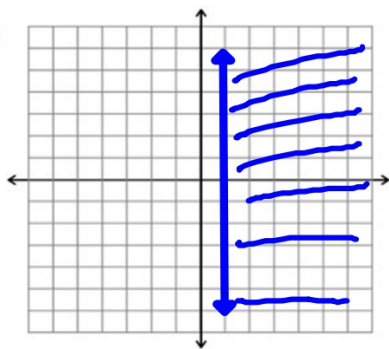
13.  $x \geq 1$

14.  $x < 5$

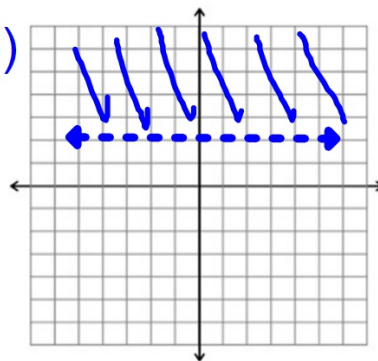
15.  $y > 2$

16.  $y \leq -4$

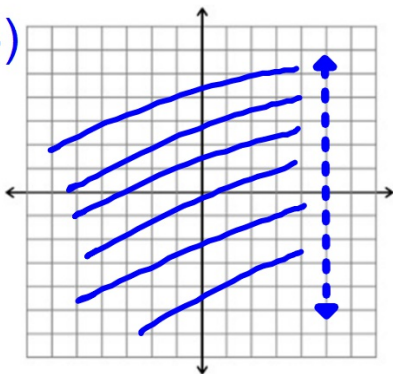
13)



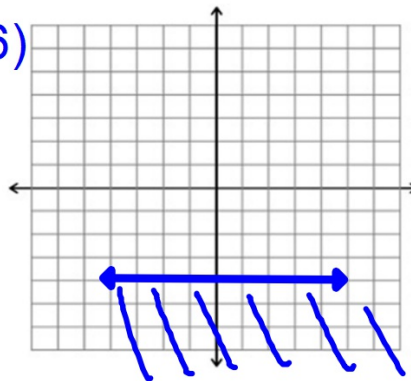
15)



14)



16)



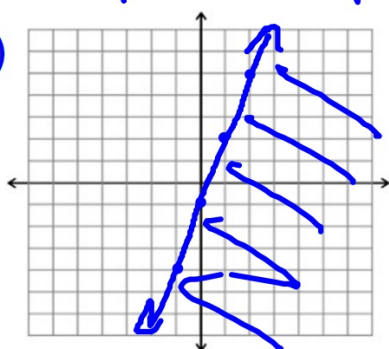
$$21. \ y \leq 3x - 1$$

$$22. \ y \geq 3x + 2$$

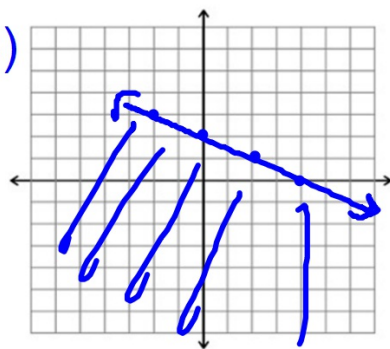
$$23. \ y \leq -\frac{1}{2}x + 2$$

$$24. \ y < \frac{1}{3}x + 3$$

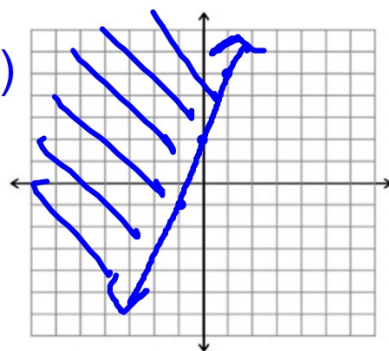
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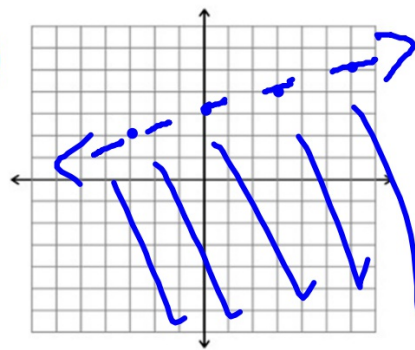
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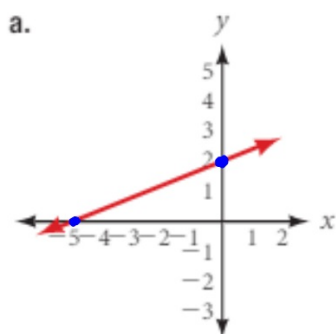
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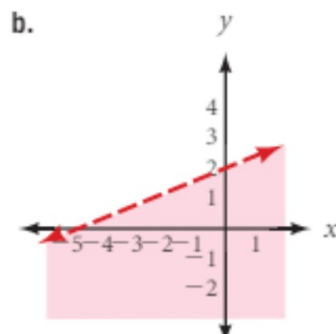
27. Find the equation of the line shown in part *a*, then use this information to find the inequalities whose solution sets are shown in parts *b* and *c*.



$$b = 2$$

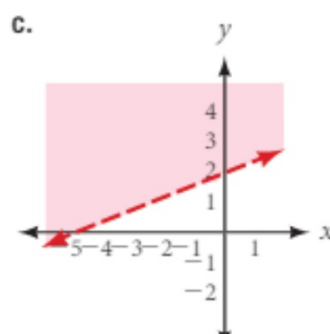
$$m = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$y = \frac{2}{5}x + 2$$



Dashed line and  
shaded below

$$y < \frac{2}{5}x + 2$$



Dashed line and  
shaded above

$$y > \frac{2}{5}x + 2$$

## Learning Objectives Assessment

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The following problems can be used to help assess if you have successfully met the learning objectives for this section.

29. The boundary for the solution set of  $x - 2y > 4$  should be drawn as:
- a. a solid line.
  - b. a dashed line.

It should be a DASHED line because we do not have an "equal to" line under the symbol.

## Maintaining Your Skills

31. Simplify the expression  $7 - 3(2x - 4) - 8$ .

$$7 - 6x + 12 - 8$$

combine like terms :  $7 + 12 - 8$

Final answer:  $-6x + 11$  or  $11 - 6x$

Solve each equation.

33.  $-\frac{3}{2}x = 12$

Multiply both sides  
by the reciprocal.

$$-\frac{2}{3} \left( -\frac{3}{2}x \right) = -\frac{2}{3} \cdot 12$$
$$x = -8$$

35.  $8 - 2(x + 7) = 2$

$$8 - 2x - 14 = 2$$

$$-6 - 2x = 2$$

$$+6 \qquad +6$$

$$-2x = 8$$

$$x = -4$$

42. What number is 12% of 2,000?

43. **Geometry** The length of a rectangle is 5 inches more than 3 times the width. If the perimeter is 26 inches, find the length and width.

$$42) x = (0.12)(2000)$$
$$x = 240$$

43)

$$3w + 5$$



w

$$26 = 3w + 5 + 3w + 5 + w + w$$

$$26 = 8w + 10$$

$$16 = 8w$$

$$2 = w$$

width = 2 in and length = 11 in