

Chapter 3 Inequalities

$<, \leq, >, \geq, \neq, \dots$

we will mainly
use these four
inequalities

How do you say this?

$$w > 9$$

w is greater than 9 or 9 is less than w

How do you say this?

$$-11 \geq T$$

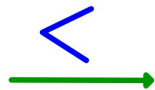
-11 is greater than or equal to T or T is less than or equal to -11

How do you say this?




It depends on the direction you read it!

If you read from left to right
you would say


less than

If you read from right to left
you would say


Greater than

An inequality always points to the smaller number.

Smaller Number  Bigger Number

Bigger Number  Smaller Number