

U3 Day 4 Notes: Writing Real-World Inequalities

A-CED.1: I can set up an inequality to model a real-world problem with one unknown variable. I can solve this inequality to answer the real world problem.

1. Debbie has at most \$60 to spend on clothes. She wants to buy a pair of jeans for \$20 and spend the rest on t-shirts. Each t-shirt costs \$8.

$x = \# \text{ of t-shirts}$

Part A: Write an inequality to describe the scenario.

$$20 + 8x \leq 60$$

Part B: Solve to figure out the maximum number of t-shirts Debbie can buy.

$$\begin{array}{r} 20 + 8x \leq 60 \\ -20 \quad -20 \\ \hline 8x \leq 40 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 8x \leq 40 \\ \frac{8x}{8} \leq \frac{40}{8} \\ \hline x \leq 5 \text{ shirts} \end{array}$$

2. Jorge receives a salary of \$2,000 and deposits that amount into his bank account. He wants to have a minimum of \$500 in the account. He withdraws \$30 per month for gifts and chocolate.

$x = \# \text{ of months}$

Part A: Write an inequality to show how many times Jorge can withdraw money.

$$2000 - 30m \geq 500$$

Part B: How many months can Jorge withdraw money for gifts and chocolate?

$$\begin{array}{r} 2000 - 30m \geq 500 \\ -2000 \quad -2000 \\ \hline -30m \geq -1500 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -30m \geq -1500 \\ \frac{-30m}{-30} \geq \frac{-1500}{-30} \\ \hline m \leq 50 \text{ months} \end{array}$$

3. Dakota is going on a picnic with her family. She buys \$6 worth of plastic silverware and needs to buy several 2-liters of soda that are \$1.50 each. She wants to spend no more than \$15.

Part A: Write an inequality to describe the scenario.

$$6 + 1.50x \leq 15$$

Part B: Solve to figure out how many 2-liter bottles Dakota can purchase.

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 + 1.50x \leq 15 \\ -6 \quad -6 \\ \hline 1.50x \leq 9 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1.50x \leq 9 \\ \frac{1.50x}{1.50} \leq \frac{9}{1.50} \\ \hline x \leq 6 \text{ bottles} \end{array}$$

4. A candidate running for office is putting on a gala as a fundraiser, with the hopes of raising more than \$8,300 in contributions (donations). An anonymous donor has already donated \$610. Tickets are being sold to the gala for \$69 each.

Part A: Which inequality represents the scenario?

- A) $69x + 610 < 8,300$
- B) $69x + 610 > 8,300$
- C) $69x + 610 \leq 8,300$
- D) $69x + 610 \geq 8,300$

$$\begin{array}{r} 69x + 610 > 8300 \\ -610 \quad -610 \\ \hline 69x > 7960 \\ \frac{69x}{69} > \frac{7960}{69} \end{array}$$

Part B: Solve to see how many tickets have to be sold in order for the candidate to reach their goal.

$$x > 115.3$$

$$x > 114 \text{ tickets}$$

5. A charitable organization is hosting a black tie benefit for charity, and the organization's members hope to bring in at least \$3,200. Standard tickets are available for \$26 each, and they've already raised \$1,224.

Part A: Which inequality represents the scenario?

- A) $1,224 + 26x < 3,200$
- B) $1,224 + 26x \leq 3,200$
- C) $1,224 + 26x > 3,200$
- D) $1,224 + 26x \geq 3,200$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1224 + 26x \geq 3200 \\ -1224 \qquad \qquad -1224 \\ \hline 26x \geq 1976 \\ x \geq 76 \end{array}$$

Part B: Solve to see how many tickets have to be sold in order for the organization to raise at least \$3,200.

$x \geq 76$ tickets

6. The AVID club wants to go skating at Polar Ice. They will be having a car wash at TGB to raise money for the social. Each car washed will be \$10, but it costs them \$1 to wash each car. They need to raise at least \$180 for the social.

Part A: Write an inequality representing how many cars they need to wash.

Inequality: $10x - 1x \geq 180$ OR $9x \geq 180$

Part B: Determine how many cars do they need to wash?

$\frac{9x}{9} \geq \frac{180}{9}$
 Answer: $x \geq 20$ cars

Part C: If the AVID Club washes 30 cars, but spends \$50 on snacks, determine if the AVID Club has enough money for the social.

$$\begin{array}{l} 9(30) - 50 \geq 180 \\ 270 - 50 \geq 180 \\ 220 \geq 180 \end{array}$$

yes, they have enough money for the social.

8. Grace babysits for extra money. She charges \$30 every day that she babysits. She spends an average of \$5 in gas per trip to babysit. Her sister wants her to go on a trip and she needs to save at least \$500 in order to be able to afford to go.

Part A: Write an inequality representing how many times Grace needs to babysit to save at least \$500.

Inequality: $30x - 5x \geq 500$ OR $25x \geq 500$

Part B: Determine how many times she needs to babysit to reach her savings goal.

$\frac{25x}{25} \geq \frac{500}{25}$
 Answer: $x \geq 20$ times

Part C: If Grace babysits 22 times, but spent some of her money buying two concert tickets for \$30 each, determine if Grace has saved enough money to cover her trip.

$$\begin{array}{l} 25(22) - 60 \geq 500 \\ 550 - 60 \geq 500 \\ 490 \not\geq 500 \end{array}$$

No, Grace doesn't have enough money.