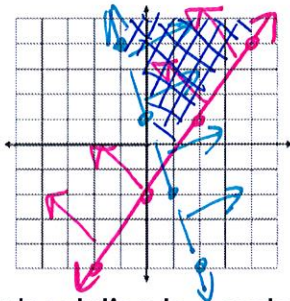


Algebra 1  
Solving Systems of Inequalities in Context

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Graph the system and name three points that would be considered solutions.



$y > -3x + 1$

$3x - 2y \leq 4$

dotted shade ↑

3 possible answers

(1, 3)

(2, 1)

(0, 4)

$$\begin{aligned} 3x - 2y &\leq 4 \\ -3x &\quad -3x \\ \hline -2y &\leq -3x + 4 \\ -2 &\quad -2 \\ \hline y &\geq \frac{3}{2}x - 2 \end{aligned}$$

solid shade ↑

Definitely NOT answers

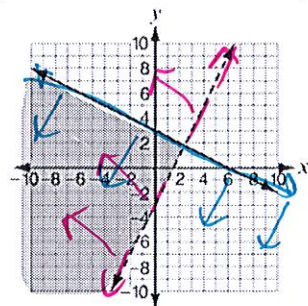
(0, 1)

(-4, -5)

(0, 0)

Tiffany's solution to a system of inequalities is shown below.

Can you write the two inequalities that she would have graphed to come up with this answer?



$y > 2x - 3$

$y \leq -\frac{1}{2}x + 3$

Examples of Systems of Linear Inequalities in Context

Frosty wants to purchase Christmas gifts for all his new friends. He has found an online deal to buy ornaments (x) for \$8 each and stockings (y) for \$10 each. He only has \$100 to spend. Write an inequality to represent the number of items he could purchase.

$8x + 10y \leq 100$

$$\begin{aligned} -8x + 10y &\leq 100 \\ -8x &\quad -8x \\ \hline 10y &\leq -8x + 100 \end{aligned}$$

$y \leq -\frac{4}{5}x + 10$

While he would like to purchase gifts for ALL his new friends, there are 6 kids that are his favorites for which he feels he MUST give gifts. Write an inequality for how many of each item he MUST buy.

$x + y \geq 6$

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &\geq 6 \\ -x &\quad -x \\ \hline y &\geq -x + 6 \end{aligned}$$

Write this system of inequalities in graphing form:

$y \leq -\frac{4}{5}x + 10$

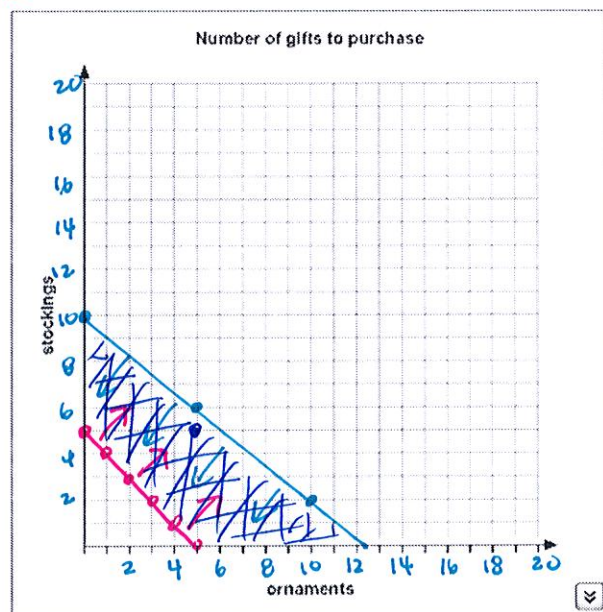
$y \geq -x + 6$

Why should this system ONLY be graphed in the first quadrant? Graph it.

You cannot have negative ornaments or stockings.

Would it be possible for Frosty to purchase 5 of each item? Justify your answer.

Yes! It is in the shaded region!





Suppose you have two jobs, babysitting, which pays \$5 per hour, and bagging groceries, which pays \$6 per hour. You can work no more than 20 hours each week, but you need to earn at least \$90 per week. How many hours can you work at each job?

Let  $x$  = the number of hours babysitting  
 Let  $y$  = the number of hours bagging groceries  
 Write a system of inequalities to represent the situation.

$$\begin{aligned} 5x + 6y &\geq 90 \\ x + y &\leq 20 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 5x + 6y &\geq 90 \\ -5x &\quad -5x \\ \hline 6y &\geq -5x + 90 \\ \frac{6y}{6} &\geq \frac{-5x + 90}{6} \\ y &\geq -\frac{5}{6}x + 15 \end{aligned}$$

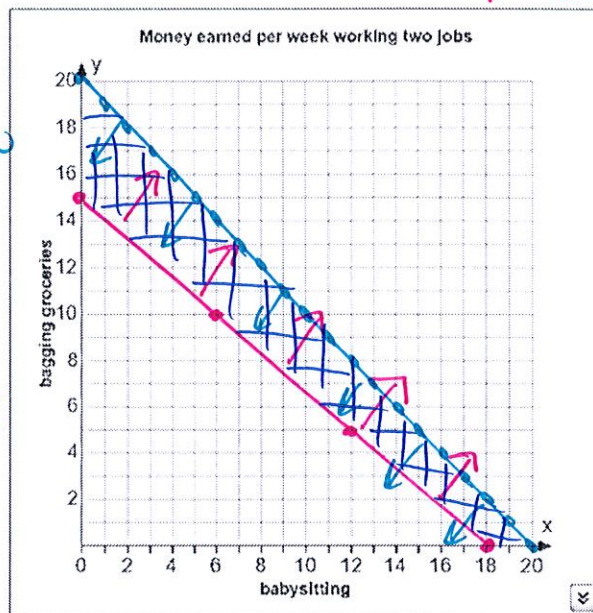
Place each inequality in graphing form and graph.

$$\begin{aligned} y &\geq -\frac{5}{6}x + 15 \\ y &\leq -x + 20 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x + y &\leq 20 \\ -x &\quad -x \\ \hline y &\leq -x + 20 \end{aligned}$$

How many hours can you work at each job?  
 (Give at least two possible solutions and explain.)

Ordered pair:  $(4, 14)$   
 Explanation: 4 hours babysitting, 14 hours bagging groceries  
 Ordered pair:  $(16, 3)$   
 Explanation: 16 hours babysitting, 3 hours bagging groceries



Jason is buying wings and hot dogs for a party. One package of wings costs \$7. Hot dogs cost \$4 per pound. He must spend less than \$40. Write an inequality to represent the cost of Jason's food for the party.

Let  $x$  = # of packages of wings and  $y$  = # of pounds of hot dogs

$$7x + 4y < 40$$

$$\begin{aligned} 7x + 4y &< 40 \\ -7x &\quad -7x \\ \hline 4y &< -7x + 40 \\ \frac{4y}{4} &< \frac{-7x + 40}{4} \\ y &< -\frac{7}{4}x + 10 \end{aligned}$$

Jason knows that he will be buying at least 5 pounds of hot dogs. Write an inequality to represent this situation.

$$y \geq 5$$

Graph the system and give two possible solutions for Jason.

$$y < -\frac{7}{4}x + 10$$

$$y \geq 5$$

Solutions:

Ordered pair:  $(0, 7)$   
 Explanation: no wings, 7 lbs of hot dogs  
 Ordered pair:  $(2, 6)$   
 Explanation: 2 packages of wings, 6 lbs of hot dogs

