## **Review of Solving Inequalities and Interval Notation:**

**Single Inequalities:** Goal: Get *x* on the left and a number on the right, if possible.

1. 
$$x + 8 > 4$$

Subtract 8 on both sides. 
$$x > -4 \Rightarrow (-4, \infty)$$

**2.** 
$$8x < 24$$

Divide both sides by 8. 
$$x < 3 \Rightarrow (-\infty, 3)$$

**3.** 
$$3x$$
 ≥  $-36$ 

Divide both sides by 3. 
$$x \ge -12 \Rightarrow [-12, \infty)$$

**4.** 
$$5x + 13 \le 28$$

Isolate *x* on the left by subtracting 13, then divide by 5.  $5x \le 15 \Rightarrow \boxed{x \le 3} \Rightarrow \boxed{(-\infty,3]}$ 

5. 
$$-2x > 10$$

Divide both sides by -2, and reverse the inequality direction.  $\boxed{x < -5} \Rightarrow \boxed{(-\infty, -5)}$ 

**6.** 
$$-3x \le -18$$

Divide both sides by -3, and reverse the inequality direction.  $x \ge 6 \Rightarrow 6$ 

**7.** 
$$5 > x$$

Flip the inequality.  $x < 5 \Rightarrow (-\infty, 5)$ 

**8.** 
$$2x-7 < 5x-9$$

Isolate x on the left by subtracting 5x and adding 7.  $-3x < -2 \Rightarrow \left[x > \frac{2}{3}\right] \Rightarrow \left[\frac{2}{3}, \infty\right]$ 

**9.** 
$$4(x-3) \ge 9(2x+7)$$

Expand both sides. Isolate x on the left by subtracting 18x adding 12.

$$4x - 12 \ge 18x + 63 \Rightarrow -14x \ge 75 \Rightarrow \boxed{x \le -\frac{75}{14}} \Rightarrow \boxed{-\infty, -\frac{75}{14}}$$

**10.** 
$$2x+7 < 2x+9$$

Subtract 2x on both sides.

7 < 9 which is true for all values of x, so the solution is all real numbers  $\Rightarrow (-\infty, \infty)$ 

**11.** 
$$3(x-1) \ge 3x+9$$

Expand the left side. Subtract 3x on both sides.

 $3x-3 \ge 3x+9 \Rightarrow -3 \ge 9$  which is false for all values of x, so there is no solution.

**Double Inequalities:** Goal: Get *x* in the middle with smaller number on the left and larger number on the right, if possible.

1. -2 < x < 10 It's already solved.

$$\boxed{-2 < x < 10} \Rightarrow \boxed{(-2,10)}$$

**2.** 
$$-6 < x + 6 \le 8$$

Subtract 6 on the left, right, and center.  $\boxed{-12 < x \le 2} \Rightarrow \boxed{(-12,2]}$ 

3. 
$$1 \le 3x + 4 < 19$$

Isolate 3x in the middle, and then divide by  $3. -3 \le 3x < 15 \Rightarrow \boxed{-1 \le x < 5} \Rightarrow \boxed{[-1,5)}$ 

**4.** 
$$5 \ge x \ge 1$$

Flip the inequality.  $\boxed{1 \le x \le 5} \Rightarrow \boxed{[1,5]}$ 

5. 
$$-2 < -2x < 4$$

Divide by -2, reverse the inequality directions, and then flip it.

$$1 > x > -2 \Longrightarrow \boxed{-2 < x < 1} \Longrightarrow \boxed{(-2,1)}$$

**6.** 
$$3 < -3x \le 6$$

Divide by -3, and reverse the inequality directions, and then flip it.

$$-1 > x \ge -2 \Longrightarrow \boxed{-2 \le x < -1} \Longrightarrow \boxed{[-2, -1)}$$

7. 
$$-1 \le -2x - 7 \le 1$$

Isolate -2x in the middle by adding 7. Divide by -2, and reverse the inequalities, and then

flip it. 
$$6 \le -2x \le 8 \Rightarrow -3 \ge x \ge -4 \Rightarrow \boxed{-4 \le x \le -3} \Rightarrow \boxed{-4, -3}$$

**8.** 
$$-\frac{1}{2} < \frac{1}{4}x - 3 \le \frac{1}{2}$$

Multiply by 4 to eliminate the fractions. Add 12.

$$-2 < x - 12 \le 2 \Rightarrow \boxed{10 < x \le 14} \Rightarrow \boxed{(10,14]}$$

**9.** 
$$-3 < \frac{3x-6}{4} \le 6$$

Multiply by 4, as before. Add 6 and divide by 3.

$$-12 < 3x - 6 \le 24 \Rightarrow -6 < 3x \le 30 \Rightarrow \boxed{-2 < x \le 10} \Rightarrow \boxed{(-2,10]}$$