

**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.  $3x \geq -36$

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

4.  $5x + 13 \leq 28$

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

5.  $-2x > 10$

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

6.  $-3x \leq -18$

Divide both sides by -3, and reverse the inequality direction.  $\boxed{x \geq 6} \Rightarrow \boxed{[6, \infty)}$

7.  $5 > x$

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

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

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

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

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

$$4x - 12 \geq 18x + 63 \Rightarrow -14x \geq 75 \Rightarrow \boxed{x \leq -\frac{75}{14}} \Rightarrow \boxed{\left(-\infty, -\frac{75}{14}\right]}$$

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

Subtract  $2x$  on both sides.

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

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

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

$3x-3 \geq 3x+9 \Rightarrow -3 \geq 9$  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.  $-6 < x + 6 \leq 8$

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

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

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

4.  $5 \geq x \geq 1$

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

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

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

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

6.  $3 < -3x \leq 6$

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

$$-1 > x \geq -2 \Rightarrow \boxed{-2 \leq x < -1} \Rightarrow \boxed{[-2, -1)}$$

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

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

flip it.  $6 \leq -2x \leq 8 \Rightarrow -3 \geq x \geq -4 \Rightarrow \boxed{-4 \leq x \leq -3} \Rightarrow \boxed{[-4, -3]}$

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

Multiply by 4 to eliminate the fractions. Add 12.

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

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

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

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

10.  $3 < x < -6$

There is No solution, since it's not possible for a number to be less than -6 and also greater than 3.