

Directions: Answer each question as completely as possible. Show all work for credit. Good luck!

1. Solve each inequality. Express your answers using interval notation.

a) $|1 - 2x| \leq 3$

$$-3 \leq 1 - 2x \leq 3$$

etc.

$$[-1, 2]$$

see pp that follow

b) $\frac{5}{x-3} \geq \frac{3}{x+1}$

$$\frac{5}{x-3} - \frac{3}{x+1} \geq 0$$

etc.

$$\cancel{[-7, 1)} \cup (3, \infty)$$

See pp that follow

c) $x(x-7) > 8$

$$(-\infty, -1) \cup (8, \infty)$$

See pp following

Bring all
over to left

d) $\frac{x}{2} - \frac{8x}{3} + \frac{x}{4} > \frac{23}{6}$

$$x < -2 \quad \cup \quad (-\infty, -2)$$

$$\text{LCD} = 12$$

e) $|3x - 4| > |x + 6|$

(square both sides)

$$(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2}) \cup (5, \infty)$$

2. Solve for x.

a) $|x^2 + 3x - 2| = 2$

$x^2 + 3x - 2 = 2$ or $x^2 + 3x - 2 = -2$

$x^2 + 3x - 4 = 0$

$(x-1)(x+4) = 0$

$x = 1, -4$

$x^2 + 3x = 0$

$x(x+3) = 0$

$x = 0, -3$ All solns check.

b) $|1 - 2x| = 3 + |x + 5|$

$x = -7/3, 9$ — see below

Consider as follows:

① $1 - 2x = 3 + x + 5$

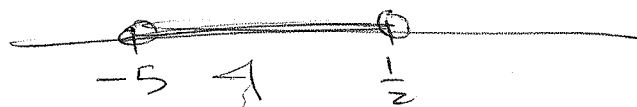
for $1 - 2x > 0, x + 5 > 0$

i.e. $x < 1/2, x > -5$

$-3x = 7$

$x = -7/3$

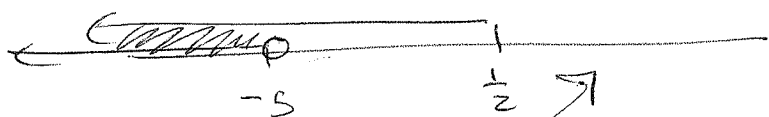
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② $1 - 2x = 3 + -(x + 5)$

for $1 - 2x > 0, x + 5 < 0$

~~$1 - 2x = 3 - x - 5$~~



$-x = -3$

$x = 3$

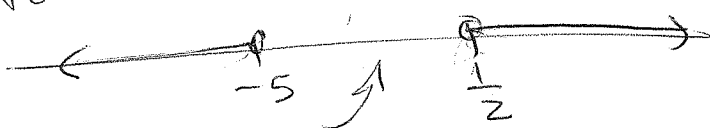
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here, so discard

③ $-(1 - 2x) = 3 + -(x + 5)$

for $1 - 2x < 0, x + 5 < 0$

no need to solve

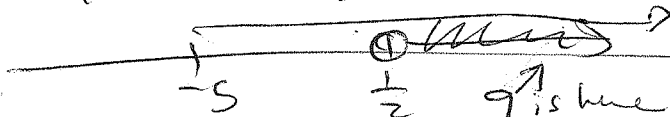


no soln set!

④ $-(1 - 2x) = 3 + (x + 5)$

for $1 - 2x < 0, x + 5 > 0$

$-9 = -x$
 $x = 9$



9 is true

1a)

$$|1 - 2x| \leq 3$$

$$-3 \leq 1 - 2x \leq 3$$

$$\boxed{-1 \leq x \leq 2} \quad \text{or} \quad \boxed{[-1, 2]}$$

b)

$$\frac{5}{x-3} \geq \frac{3}{x+1}$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{5}{x-3} - \frac{3}{x+1} \geq 0 \rightarrow \frac{5(x+1) - 3(x-3)}{(x-3)(x+1)} \geq 0$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{2x + 14}{(x-3)(x+1)} \geq 0 \quad x = -7, 3, -1$$

First $x = -7$ is part of the soln. $x = -1, 3$ are not, so omit on table

	$(-\infty, -7)$	$[-7, -1)$	$(-1, 3)$	$(3, \infty)$
$2(x+7)$	-	+	+	+
$(x-3)(x+1)$	+	+	-	+
Ratio	-	+	-	+
≥ 0	discard	good	discard	good

$$\boxed{\text{Soln. } [-7, -1) \cup (3, \infty)}$$

c)

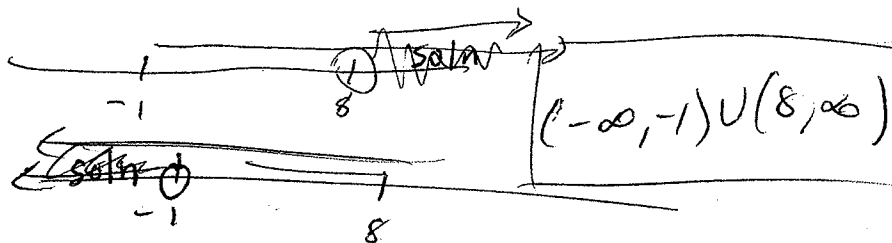
$$x(x-7) > 8$$

$$x^2 - 7x - 8 > 0$$

$$(x-8)(x+1) > 0$$

You can draw the graph for your analysis

So either $x > 8$ and $x > -1$
or $x < 8$ and $x < -1$



$$\#1d) \text{ LCD} = 12 \quad 12 \left(\frac{x}{2} - \frac{8x}{3} + \frac{x}{4} \right) > \left(\frac{23}{6} \right) \cdot 12^2$$

$$6x - 32x + 3x > 46$$

$$\cancel{9x > 78} \quad |x \leftarrow -2| \quad \text{or} \quad |(-\infty, -2)|$$

$$\# e) |3x - 4|^2 > |x + 6|^2 \quad \text{faster than doing cases}$$

$$9x^2 - 24x + 16 > x^2 + 12x + 36$$

$$8x^2 - 36x - 20 > 0$$

$$2x^2 - 9x - 5 > 0$$

$$(2x + 1)(x - 5) > 0$$

$$\cancel{x < -\frac{1}{2} \text{ or } x > 5}$$

$$\text{So either } x > -\frac{1}{2} \text{ and } x > 5$$

$$\text{or } x < -\frac{1}{2} \text{ and } x < 5$$

$$(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2}) \cup (5, \infty)$$

