




**Objective:** Representing Solution Sets of Equations and Inequalities

**Homework SE-2 – The Doctor’s Solution Set Handout**

**Do Now:** What are the solutions? 1.  $x^2 = 36$  2.  $2x + 1 > 13$

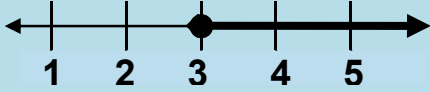
**Exam Prep:** Equations have one solution.

A) *Always true*      B) *Sometimes true*      C) *Never true*



*Good day... solution sets can be shown in two ways.*

Set Notation:  $\{3, 4, 5, 6, \dots\}$  or  $\{x \mid x \geq 3\}$

Graphical Notation: 

### Basic Set Notation

A set is a collection of elements or members. Use braces  $\{ \}$  to denote a set.

Roster Form of a set lists the elements in braces.  $\{1, 2, 3\}$  or  $\{\text{red, green, blue}\}$

- Use “...” to show an infinite set. Odd Numbers =  $\{1, 3, 5, \dots\}$

Set-Builder notation describes a set.  $\{x \mid x \text{ is a factor of } 12\}$ , so  $\{1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 12\}$ .

1. P is the set of whole numbers less than 5.

a) Roster:

b) Set-Builder:

2. M is the set of odd whole numbers greater than or equal to 11.

a) Roster:

b) Set-Builder:

**Note:** The empty set (or null set) contains no elements.  $S = \emptyset$  or  $\{ \}$ .

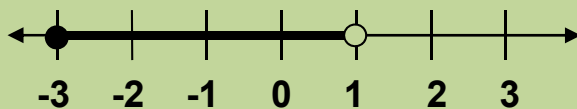
**Practice:** Write the solution set in set notation

1. $x + 10 = 25$	2. $-4 < 2x < 12$	3. $5x - 2 \geq 33$	4. $x^2 = 49$
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## Graphing Solution Sets

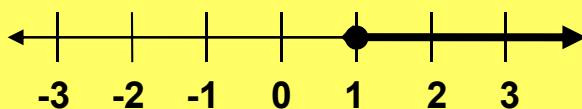
$$-3 \leq n < 1$$

- Filled circle means that  $-3$  is included in the solution.
- Open circle means that  $1$  is not included.
- Heavy line shows all numbers between are included.



$$x \geq 1$$

Heavy arrow shows that the solution set extends to the right or infinity ( $\infty$ ).



Note: Values in the solutions always have bubbles, like 3 and 1 above!

Practice: Graph the solution set (same as above)

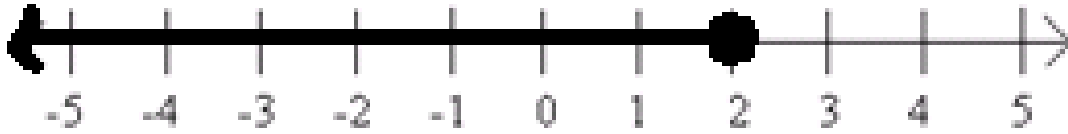
1. $x + 10 = 25$	<p>A number line with tick marks from -3 to 3. No solution is graphed.</p>
2. $-4 < 2x < 12$	<p>A number line with tick marks from -3 to 3. No solution is graphed.</p>
3. $5x - 2 \geq 33$	<p>A number line with tick marks from -3 to 3. No solution is graphed.</p>
4. $x^2 = 49$	<p>A number line with tick marks from -3 to 3. No solution is graphed.</p>

### Extra Practice with Inequalities

Inequality	Graph
$-2 \leq n \leq 2$	
$-2 < n < 2$	
$-2 < n \leq 2$	
$-2 \leq n < 2$	
$-2 \leq n$	
$n < 2$	

## Wrap Up

1. Here is the graphical representation of a set of real numbers:



- Describe this set of real numbers in words.
- Describe this set of real numbers in set notation.
- Write an equation or an inequality which has the set above as its solution set.