

2.7 Practice

Name Solutions

Pick a letter for the variable, explain what the variable represents and translate to an inequality.

1. My salary next year will be at least \$45,000.

Explain Variable X = Salary

Inequality $X \geq 45,000$

2. A number is greater than -57.35

Explain Variable X = number

Inequality $X > -57.35$

3. The average speed, s, was between 80 and 120 mph.

Explain Variable S = speed

Inequality $80 < S < 120$

4. The price of a baseball glove is at most \$36.49.

Explain Variable X = Price

Inequality $X \leq 36.49$

5. The temperature is at most 84°.

Explain Variable X = Temperature

Inequality $X \leq 84$

6. The barrel of peaches weighs at least 12 lb.

Explain Variable X = weight

Inequality $X \geq 12$

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7. A car rents for \$30 per day plus 23¢ per mile. You are on a daily budget of \$76. What mileage will allow you to stay within your budget?

X = miles

76 TOTAL

Total = day charge + cost of miles

$$76 = 30 + 0.23(x)$$

$$46 = 0.23x$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.23 \\ \underline{0.23 } \\ 200 = x \end{array}$$

Over 

200 = X

8. You are taking a math course in which there will be four tests, each worth 100 points. You have scores of 97, 94, and 97 on the first three tests. You must earn a total of 360 points in order to get an A. What scores on the last test will give you an A?

$$X = 4^{\text{th}} \text{ test}$$

$$97 + 94 + 97 + X \geq 360$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 288 + X \geq 360 \\ -288 \quad -288 \end{array}$$

$$X \geq 72$$

Get 72 or more to keep A.

9. Carlos can be paid in one of two ways. Plan A is a salary of \$500 per month, plus a commission of 8% of sales. Plan B is a salary of \$653 per month, plus a commission of 5% of sales. For what amount of sales is Carlos better off selecting Plan A?

$$X = \text{money in sales}$$

$$\text{Plan A} > \text{Plan B}$$

$$500 + 0.08(x) > 653 + 0.05x$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -0.05x \quad -0.05x \\ \hline 500 + 0.03x > 653 \\ -500 \quad -500 \\ \hline 0.03x \geq 153 \end{array}$$

$$\frac{0.03x}{0.03} \geq \frac{153}{0.03} \rightarrow X = 5100$$

Carlos must sell \$5100 for plan A to be better

10. Judith is about to invest \$27,000, part at 4% and the rest at 8%. What is the most she can invest at 4% and still be guaranteed at least \$2000 a year?

27,000 TOTAL investment

X = amount invested in 4% account

27000 - X = amount invested in 8%

Total interest \geq 2000

$$0.04(x) + 0.08(27,000 - x) \geq 2000$$

$$0.04x + 2160 - 0.08x \geq 2000$$

$$-0.04x + 2160 \geq 2000$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -2160 \quad -2160 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -0.04x \geq -160 \\ -0.04 \quad -0.04 \end{array}$$

switch

$$X \leq 4000$$

\$4000 is the most to invest at 4%. So total interest will be \$2000