

7-7 Skills Practice**Solving Radical Equations and Inequalities**

Solve each equation or inequality.

1. $\sqrt{x} = 5$

2. $\sqrt{x} + 3 = 7$

3. $5\sqrt{j} = 1$

4. $v^{\frac{1}{2}} + 1 = 0$

5. $18 - 3y^{\frac{1}{2}} = 25$

6. $\sqrt[3]{2w} = 4$

7. $\sqrt{b-5} = 4$

8. $\sqrt{3n+1} = 5$

9. $\sqrt[3]{3r-6} = 3$

10. $2 + \sqrt{3p+7} = 6$

11. $\sqrt{k-4} - 1 = 5$

12. $(2d+3)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 2$

13. $(t-3)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 2$

14. $4 - (1-7u)^{\frac{1}{3}} = 0$

15. $\sqrt{3z-2} = \sqrt{z-4}$

16. $\sqrt{g+1} = \sqrt{2g-7}$

17. $\sqrt{x-1} = 4\sqrt{x+1}$

18. $5 + \sqrt{s-3} \leq 6$

19. $-2 + \sqrt{3x+3} < 7$

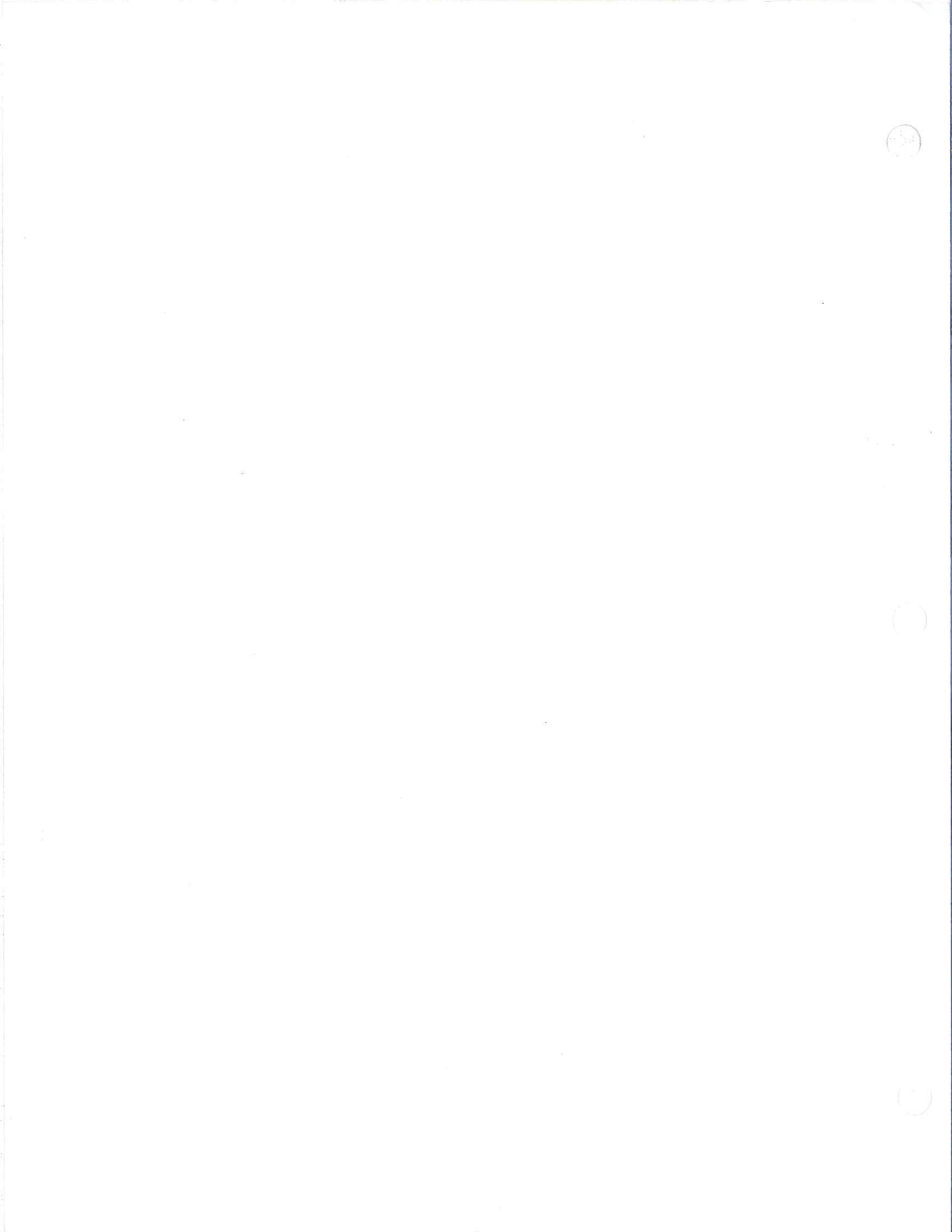
20. $-\sqrt{2a+4} \geq -6$

21. $2\sqrt{4r-3} > 10$

22. $4 - \sqrt{3x+1} > 3$

23. $\sqrt{y+4} - 3 \geq 3$

24. $-3\sqrt{11r+3} \geq -15$



7.7 Skills Practice

Ans Key

$$1. \quad \sqrt{x} = 5$$

$$(\sqrt{x})^2 = 5^2$$

$$\boxed{x = 25}$$

$$\text{Check: } \sqrt{25} = 5$$

$$5 = 5 \quad \checkmark$$

$$2. \quad \sqrt{x} + 3 = 7$$

$$\sqrt{x} = 4$$

$$(\sqrt{x})^2 = 4^2$$

$$\boxed{x = 16}$$

$$\text{Check } \sqrt{16} + 3 = 7$$

$$4 + 3 = 7$$

$$7 = 7 \quad \checkmark$$

$$3. \quad 5\sqrt{j} = 1$$

$$\sqrt{j} = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$(\sqrt{j})^2 = \left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^2$$

$$\boxed{j = \frac{1}{25}}$$

$$\text{Check } 5\sqrt{\frac{1}{25}} = 1$$

$$5 \cdot \frac{1}{5} = 1$$

$$1 = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$4. \quad v^{1/2} + 1 = 0$$

$$v^{1/2} = -1$$

$$(v^{1/2})^2 = (-1)^2$$

$$v = 1$$

$$\text{Check: } 1^{1/2} + 1 = 0$$

$$1 + 1 = 0$$

$$2 \neq 0$$

$\boxed{\text{no solution}}$

$$5. \quad 18 - 3y^{1/2} = 25$$

$$-3y^{1/2} = 7$$

$$(y^{1/2})^2 = \left(-\frac{7}{3}\right)^2$$

$$y = \frac{49}{9}$$

$$\text{Check: } 18 - 3\left(\frac{49}{9}\right)^{1/2} = 25$$

$$18 - 3\left(\frac{7}{3}\right) = 25$$

$$18 - 7 = 25$$

$$11 \neq 25$$

$\boxed{\text{no solution}}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 6. \quad & \sqrt[3]{2w} = 4 \\
 & (\sqrt[3]{2w})^3 = 4^3 \\
 & 2w = 64 \\
 & \boxed{w = 32}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Check } & \sqrt[3]{2(32)} = 4 \\
 & \sqrt[3]{64} = 4 \\
 & 4 = 4 \quad \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 7. \quad & \sqrt{b-5} = 4 \\
 & (\sqrt{b-5})^2 = 4^2 \\
 & b-5 = 16 \\
 & \boxed{b = 21}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Check: } & \sqrt{21-5} = 4 \\
 & \sqrt{16} = 4 \\
 & 4 = 4 \quad \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 8. \quad & \sqrt{3n+1} = 5 \\
 & (\sqrt{3n+1})^2 = 5^2 \\
 & 3n+1 = 25 \\
 & 3n = 24 \\
 & \boxed{n = 8}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Check: } & \sqrt{3(8)+1} = 5 \\
 & \sqrt{25} = 5 \\
 & 5 = 5 \quad \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 9. \quad & \sqrt[3]{3r-6} = 3 \\
 & (\sqrt[3]{3r-6})^3 = 3^3 \\
 & 3r-6 = 27 \\
 & 3r = 33 \\
 & \boxed{r = 11}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Check } & \sqrt[3]{3(11)-6} = 3 \\
 & \sqrt[3]{27} = 3 \\
 & 3 = 3 \quad \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 10. \quad & 2 + \sqrt{3p+7} = 6 \\
 & (\sqrt{3p+7})^2 = 4^2 \\
 & 3p+7 = 16 \\
 & 3p = 9 \\
 & p = 3
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Check: } & 2 + \sqrt{3 \cdot 3 + 7} = 6 \\
 & 2 + \sqrt{16} = 6 \\
 & 2 + 4 = 6 \\
 & 6 = 6 \quad \checkmark
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 11. \quad & \sqrt{k-4} - 1 = 5 \\
 & (\sqrt{k-4})^2 = 6^2 \\
 & k-4 = 36 \\
 & \boxed{k=40}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{check: } & \sqrt{40-4} - 1 = 5 \\
 & \sqrt{36} - 1 = 5 \\
 & 5 = 5
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 12. \quad & (2d+3)^{1/3} = 2 \\
 & ((2d+3)^{1/3})^3 = 2^3 \\
 & 2d+3 = 8 \\
 & 2d = 5 \\
 & d = 5/2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{check: } & (2 \cdot 5/2 + 3)^{1/3} = 2 \\
 & 8^{1/3} = 2 \\
 & 2 = 2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 13. \quad & ((t-3)^{1/3})^3 = (2)^3 \\
 & t-3 = 8 \\
 & t = 11
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{check } & (11-3)^{1/3} = 2 \\
 & 8^{1/3} = 2 \\
 & 2 = 2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 14. \quad & 4 - (1-7u)^{1/3} = 0 \\
 & - (1-7u)^{1/3} = -4 \\
 & ((1-7u)^{1/3})^3 = 4^3 \\
 & 1-7u = 64 \\
 & -7u = 63 \\
 & u = -9
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{check} & \\
 & 4 - (1-7(-9))^{1/3} = 0 \\
 & 4 - (64)^{1/3} = 0 \\
 & 0 = 0
 \end{aligned}$$

$$15. (\sqrt{3z-2})^2 = (\sqrt{z-4})^2$$

$$3z-2 = z-4$$

$$3z = z-2$$

$$2z = -2$$

$$z = -1$$

Check:

$$\sqrt{3(-1)-2} = \sqrt{-1-4}$$

$$\sqrt{-3} \neq \sqrt{-5}$$

no solution

$$16. (\sqrt{g+1})^2 = (\sqrt{2g-7})^2$$

$$g+1 = 2g-7$$

$$g+8 = 2g$$

$$8 = g$$

$$\text{Check: } \sqrt{8+1} = \sqrt{2(8)-7}$$

$$\sqrt{9} = \sqrt{9} \quad \checkmark$$

$$17. (\sqrt{x-1})^2 = (4\sqrt{x+1})^2$$

$$x-1 = 16(x+1)$$

$$x-1 = 16x+16$$

$$-17 = 15x$$

$$-17/15 = x$$

$$\sqrt{-17/15-1} = 4\sqrt{-17/15+1}$$

\neq

no solution

$$18. 5 + \sqrt{s-3} \leq 6$$

$$1. s-3 \geq 0$$

$$s \geq 3$$

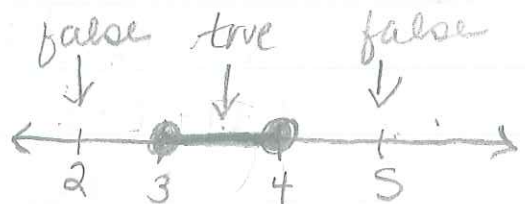
$$2. 5 + \sqrt{s-3} \leq 6$$

$$(\sqrt{s-3})^2 \leq (1)^2$$

$$s-3 \leq 1$$

$$s \leq 4$$

$$3 \leq s \leq 4$$



$$\text{check } 5 + \sqrt{2-3} \leq 6$$

$$s=2$$

$$\sqrt{-1}$$

false

$$s=3.5 \quad 5 + \sqrt{3.5-3} \leq 6$$

$$5 + \sqrt{.5} \leq 6$$

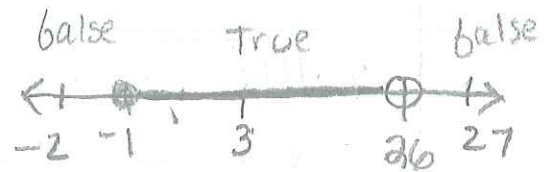
true

$$s=5 \quad 5 + \sqrt{5-3} \leq 6$$

$$5 + \sqrt{2} \leq 6$$

false

$$19. \quad -2 + \sqrt{3x+3} < 7$$



$$\begin{aligned} 1. \quad 3x+3 &\geq 0 \\ 3x &\geq -3 \\ x &\geq -1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2. \quad -2 + \sqrt{3x+3} &< 7 \\ \sqrt{3x+3} &< 9 \\ (\sqrt{3x+3})^2 &< 9^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3x+3 &< 81 \\ 3x &< 78 \\ x &< 26 \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{-1 < x < 26}$$

$$20. \quad -\sqrt{2a+4} \geq -6$$

$$(\sqrt{2a+4})^2 \leq (6)^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2a+4 &\leq 36 \\ 2a &\leq 32 \\ a &\leq 16 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2a+4 &\geq 0 \\ 2a &\geq -4 \\ a &\geq -2 \end{aligned}$$

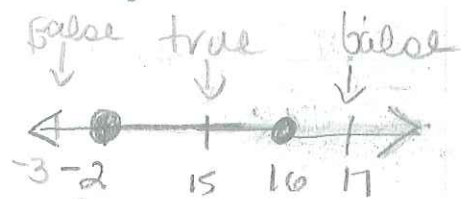
$$\boxed{-2 \leq x \leq 16}$$

3. Check

$$\begin{aligned} x &= -2 \\ -2 + \sqrt{3(-2)+3} &< 7 \\ -2 + \sqrt{-3} &\text{ false} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 3 \\ -2 + \sqrt{9+3} &< 7 \\ -2 + \sqrt{12} &< 7 \\ 1.5 &< 7 \text{ true} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 27 \\ -2 + \sqrt{81+3} &< 7 \\ \text{false} \quad 7.2 &\not< 7 \end{aligned}$$



Check

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 15 \\ -\sqrt{30+4} &\geq -6 \\ -5.8 &\geq -6 \\ \text{true} \end{aligned}$$

$$x = -3 \rightarrow -\sqrt{-2} \geq -6 \text{ false}$$

$$\begin{aligned} x &= 17 \\ -\sqrt{34+4} &\geq -6 \\ -6.1 &\geq -6 \text{ false} \end{aligned}$$

$$21 \quad \begin{aligned} 2\sqrt{4r-3} &> 10 \\ \sqrt{4r-3} &> 5 \end{aligned}$$

$$4r-3 \geq 0$$

$$4r \geq 3$$

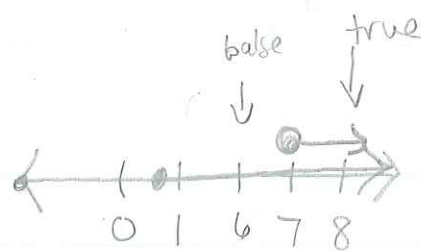
$$r \geq \frac{3}{4}$$

$$(\sqrt{4r-3})^2 > 5^2$$

$$4r-3 > 25$$

$$4r > 28$$

$$r > 7$$



Check

$$x=6, x=8$$

$$x=6: 2\sqrt{4(6)-3} > 10$$

$$2\sqrt{21} > 10$$

$$9.2 > 10 \text{ false}$$

$$x=8: 2\sqrt{4(8)-3} > 10$$

$$2\sqrt{29} > 10$$

$$10.8 > 10$$

true (✓)

$$x > 7$$

$$22. \quad 4 - \sqrt{3x+1} > 3$$

$$-\sqrt{3x+1} > -1$$

$$\sqrt{3x+1} < 1$$

$$3x+1 \geq 0 \quad (\sqrt{3x+1})^2 < 1^2$$

$$3x \geq -1$$

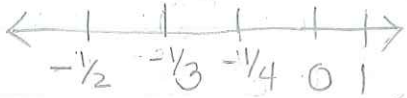
$$x \geq -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$3x+1 < 1$$

$$3x < 0$$

$$x < 0$$

False True False



$$-\frac{1}{3} \leq x < 0$$

Check:

$$x = -1$$

$$4 - \sqrt{3(-1)+1} > 3$$

$$4 - \sqrt{-1} > 3 \text{ false}$$

$$x = -\frac{1}{4} \quad 4 - \sqrt{3(-\frac{1}{4})+1} > 3$$

$$\text{true} \quad 3.5 > 3$$

$$x = 1 \quad 4 - \sqrt{3+1} > 3$$

$$4 - 2 > 3$$

false

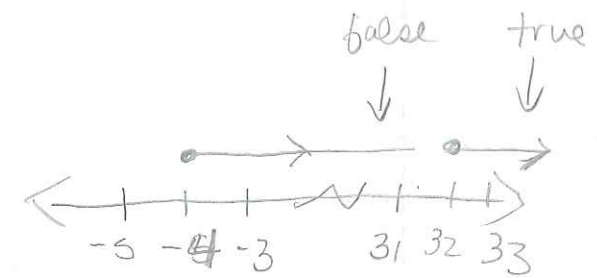
$$23. \begin{cases} \sqrt{y+4} - 3 \geq 3 \\ \sqrt{y+4} \geq 6 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} y+4 &\geq 0 & (\sqrt{y+4})^2 &\geq 6^2 \\ y &\geq -4 & y+4 &\geq 36 \\ & & y &\geq 32 \end{aligned}$$

Check:

$$y = 31$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{31+4} - 3 &\geq 3 \\ 2.9 &\geq 3 \\ \text{false} \end{aligned}$$



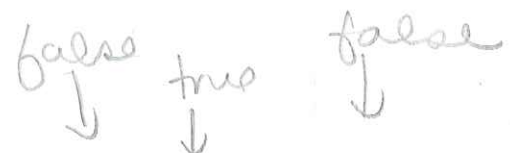
$$y = 33$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{33+4} - 3 &\geq 3 \\ 3.1 &\geq 3 \\ \text{true} \end{aligned}$$

$$y \geq 32$$

$$24. \begin{cases} -3\sqrt{11r+3} \geq -15 \\ \sqrt{11r+3} \leq 5 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 11r+3 &\geq 0 & (\sqrt{11r+3})^2 &\leq 5^2 \\ 11r &\geq -3 & 11r+3 &\leq 25 \\ r &\geq -3/11 & 11r &\leq 22 \\ r &\geq -0.27 & r &\leq 2 \end{aligned}$$



Check:

$$r = -1 \quad -3\sqrt{-11+3} \geq -15$$

false

$$r = 1 \quad -3\sqrt{11+3} \geq -15$$

$-11.2 \geq -15$ true

$$r = 3 \quad -3\sqrt{33+3} \geq -15$$

$-18 \geq -15$ false

$$-0.27 \leq x \leq 2$$

