

**LESSON**  
**2-8** **Reading Strategies**  
**Understand Vocabulary**

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	Symbol: $\cup$	
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	Symbol: $\cap$	

Answer each question.

1.  $x > 1$  or  $x \leq 2$

a. Is the compound statement true for  $x = 6$ ? Explain.

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b. Is the compound statement true for  $x = 0$ ? Explain.

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c. For which values of  $x$  is the disjunction false?

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2.  $x > 0$  and  $x \leq 6$

a. Describe the values of  $x$  for which the conjunction is true.

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b. Describe the values of  $x$  for which the conjunction is false?

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3.  $|x| > 5$

a. Describe in words the values of  $x$  for which the inequality is true.  
Then write a compound statement for those values of  $x$ .

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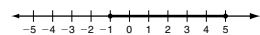
**LESSON** **Reteach**

**2-8 Solving Absolute-Value Equations and Inequalities (continued)**

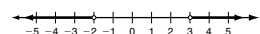
Solving absolute-value inequalities is like solving compound inequalities.

Solve: $ x  < 2$ Solution: $-2 < x < 2$	Solve: $ x  \leq 2$ Solution: $-2 \leq x \leq 2$	Remember: $ x  = x$ if $x \geq 0$
Solve: $ x  > 2$ Solution: $x < -2$ OR $x > 2$	Solve: $ x  \geq 2$ Solution: $x \leq -2$ OR $x \geq 2$	

Solve  $|x - 2| \leq 3$ .  
 $-3 \leq x - 2 \leq 3$   
 $-3 + 2 \leq x - 2 + 2 \leq 3 + 2$  Add 2.  
 $-1 \leq x \leq 5$  Simplify.

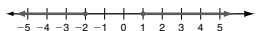
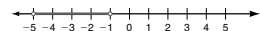


Solve  $|2x - 1| > 5$ .  
 $2x - 1 > 5$  OR  $2x - 1 < -5$   
 $2x > 6$  OR  $2x < -4$  Add 1.  
 $x > 3$  OR  $x < -2$  Divide by 2.



Solve and graph.

5.  $|x + 3| < 2$   
 $-2 < x + 3 < 2$   
 $-5 < x < -1$
6.  $|2x + 1| \geq 3$   
 $2x + 1 \geq 3$  OR  $2x + 1 \leq -3$   
 $2x \geq 2$  OR  $2x \leq -4$   
 $x \geq 1$  OR  $x \leq -2$



**LESSON** **Challenge**

**2-8 Relating the Length of a Solution Interval to a Coefficient**

Changing the value of a coefficient in an absolute-value linear inequality results in a change in the solution interval.

Solve.

1.  $|ax + b| \leq c$ , where  $a > 0$  and  $c > 0$ .  
 a. Solve the inequality for  $x$  in terms of  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ .  $-\frac{c-b}{a} \leq x \leq \frac{c-b}{a}$   
 b. Verify that your solution is equivalent to  $-\frac{(b+c)}{a} \leq x \leq \frac{c-b}{a}$ .  
 Possible answer: The solution of the absolute-value inequality gives  $x \leq \frac{c-b}{a}$  and  $x \geq -\frac{c-b}{a}$ . Read the second inequality from right to left and combine the two inequalities into a single inequality.

Apply the general solution to solve each inequality.

2.  $|2x + 3| \leq 5$   $-4 \leq x \leq 1$       3.  $|4x + 3| \leq 5$   $-2 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{2}$

Refer to the inequalities in Exercises 2 and 3.

4. a. Compare the values of  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  in the two inequalities. The values of  $b$  and  $c$  are the same in both inequalities. The value of  $a$  has increased from the first inequality to the second.  
 b. How does the value of  $a$  affect the length of the solution interval?  
 As  $a$  increases, the length of the solution interval decreases.  
 c. Predict the solution interval for the inequality  $|8x + 3| \leq 5$ .  $-1 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{4}$   
 d. Use the general solution to determine if your prediction was correct.  
 $-\frac{5-3}{8} \leq x \leq \frac{5-3}{8} = \frac{-2}{8} \leq x \leq \frac{2}{8} = -\frac{1}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{1}{4}$   
 e. What is the relationship between the solution interval and the coefficient of  $x$  in this absolute-value inequality?  
 Possible answer: When the coefficient of  $x$  is doubled, the solution interval is reduced by  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the units.

Solve.

- $-\frac{21+6}{3} = -5 \leq x \leq \frac{21+6}{3} = 9$
5. a. Use the general solution to solve  $|3x - 6| \leq 21$ .  
 b. Predict the solution interval of  $|6x - 6| \leq 21$ .  $-2.5 \leq x \leq 4.5$   
 c. Predict the solution interval of  $|12x - 6| \leq 21$ .  $-1.25 \leq x \leq 2.25$

**LESSON** **Problem Solving**

**2-8 Solving Absolute-Value Equations and Inequalities**

Gita's science class is making a set of posters about North American wildlife. The table shows some of the data collected.

1. What is the center of each weight group?  
 a.  $W_1$  292.5  
 b.  $W_2$  50  
 c.  $W_3$  5.5
2. Express each weight group as an absolute-value expression.  
 a.  $W_1$   $|W_1 - 292.5| \leq 157.5$   
 b.  $W_2$   $|W_2 - 50| \leq 40$   
 c.  $W_3$   $|W_3 - 5.5| \leq 2.5$
3. Write inequalities to show the amount of food required each day for animals in each weight group.  
 a.  $W_1$   $f \geq 3.9$  and  $f \leq 10.5$   
 b.  $W_2$   $f \geq 0.8$  and  $f \leq 2.8$   
 c.  $W_3$   $f \geq 0.18$  and  $f \leq 0.38$

North American Wildlife		
Weight Groups (kg)	Animal	Daily Food Requirement (kg)
$W_1$ 135–450	Grizzly bear	10.5
	Polar bear	9.9
	Black bear	3.9
$W_2$ 10–90	Mule deer	2.8
	Arctic wolf	2.3
	River otter	0.8
$W_3$ 3–8	Nutria	0.38
	Opossum	0.19
	Rabbit	0.18

4. Gita wants to use the term *disjunction* or *conjunction* on her poster showing the inequalities. Which term should she use? Why?  
 Conjunction; Possible answer: the compound statement uses the term *and*.
5. Les includes the following on his poster:  
 Solve this equation to find the number of kilograms of food consumed each day by an animal in one of the weight groups:  
 $|f - 7.2| \leq 3.3$   
 Find the solution.  
 $3.9 \leq f \leq 10.5$
6. Write an absolute-value inequality to represent the maximum weight difference between a grizzly bear,  $g$ , and a black bear,  $b$ .  
 $|g - b| \leq 315$

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 a. Is the compound statement true for  $x = 6$ ? Explain.  
 Yes; since  $x = 6$  makes the first inequality in the disjunction true, the compound statement is also true.  
 b. Is the compound statement true for  $x = 0$ ? Explain.  
 No;  $x = 0$  makes both inequalities false, so the compound statement is also false.  
 c. For which values of  $x$  is the disjunction false?  
 $-2 < x \leq 1$ ; all  $x$ -values within this range make both inequalities false.
2.  $x > 0$  and  $x \leq 6$   
 a. Describe the values of  $x$  for which the conjunction is true.  
 The conjunction is true for all numbers greater than 0 and less than or equal to 6.  
 b. Describe the values of  $x$  for which the conjunction is false?  
 The conjunction is false for all numbers less than or equal to 0 and all numbers greater than 6.
3.  $|x| > 5$   
 a. Describe in words the values of  $x$  for which the inequality is true. Then write a compound statement for those values of  $x$ .  
 All number greater than 5 or all numbers less than  $-5$ ;  $x > 5$  or  $x < -5$   
 b. Write a compound statement to show all the values of  $x$  for which the inequality is false.  
 $x \geq -5$  and  $x \leq 5$