

Conjunctions (“AND”)

$$-5 < 3x - 2 \leq 19$$

Our goal is to get the variable alone in the middle of the sANDwich. We will do the same mathematical operations to all three parts.

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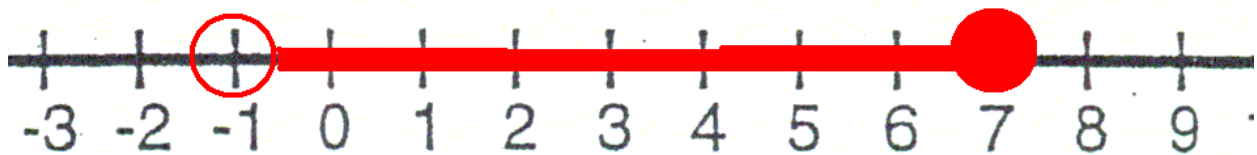
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$$-3 < 3x \leq 21$$

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$$-1 < x \leq 7$$

We will graph between -1 and 7 (including 7)



If you get an answer with “greater than” symbols ($8 > x > -3$), reverse your answer so it has “less than” symbols ($-3 < x < 8$). That way your solution goes from least to greatest as you read from left to right (just like the number line).

Disjunctions (“OR”)

$$8 < 2x \quad \text{or} \quad 3x + 1 < -5$$

Solve each of these inequalities separately and then graph them.
Wherever either one of them is true, you have a winner!

$$8 < 2x \quad \text{or} \quad 3x + 1 < -5$$

$$4 < x \quad \text{or} \quad 3x < -6$$

$$x > 4 \quad \text{or} \quad x < -2$$

