

# 3-3 Reteaching

## Systems of Inequalities

### Solving a System by Using a Table

#### Problem

An English class has 4 computers for at most 18 students. Students can either use the computers in groups to research Shakespeare or to watch an online performance of Macbeth. Each research group must have 4 students and each performance group must have 5 students. In how many ways can you set up the computer groups?

**Step 1** Relate the unknowns and define them with variables.

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= \text{number of research groups, } y = \text{number of performance groups} \\
 \text{number of research groups} + \text{number of performance groups} &\leq 4 \\
 4 \cdot \text{number of research groups} + 5 \cdot \text{number of performance groups} &\leq 18
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 x + y &\leq 4 \\
 4x + 5y &\leq 18
 \end{aligned}$$

x	y
0	4, 3, 2, 1, 0
1	3, 2, 1, 0
2	2, 1, 0
3	1, 0
4	0

**Step 2** Make a table of values for  $x$  and  $y$  that satisfy the first inequality. The replacement values for  $x$  and  $y$  must be whole numbers.

**Step 3** In the table, check each pair of values to see which satisfy the other inequality. Highlight these pairs. These are the solutions of the system.

x	y
0	4, 3, 2, 1, 0
1	3, 2, 1, 0
2	2, 1, 0
3	1, 0
4	0

You can have:

0 groups doing research and 0, 1, 2, or 3 groups watching performances or  
 1 group doing research and 0, 1, or 2 groups watching performances or  
 2 groups doing research and 0, 1, or 2 groups watching performances or  
 3 groups doing research and 0 or 1 group watching performances or  
 4 groups doing research and 0 groups watching performances

### Exercises

Find the whole number solutions of each system using tables.

1.  $\begin{cases} x + y < 4 \\ x + 2y \leq 10 \end{cases}$

(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2),  
 (0, 3), (1, 0), (1, 1),  
 (1, 2), (2, 0), (2, 1),  
 (3, 0)

2.  $\begin{cases} x - y \geq 1 \\ 6x + 3y \leq 21 \end{cases}$

(1, 0), (2, 0), (2, 1),  
 (3, 0), (3, 1)

3.  $\begin{cases} x + y \geq 5 \\ y < -2x + 8 \end{cases}$

(0, 5), (0, 6), (0, 7),  
 (1, 4), (1, 5), (2, 3)

4.  $\begin{cases} y < 3 \\ 4x + 2y < 12 \end{cases}$

(0, 0), (0, 1), (0, 2),  
 (1, 0), (1, 1), (1, 2),  
 (2, 0), (2, 1)

# 3-3 **Reteaching** (continued)

## Systems of Inequalities

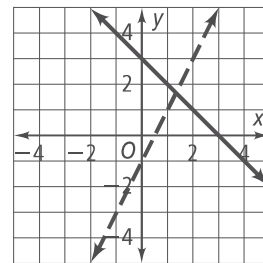
### Solving a System by Graphing

**Problem**

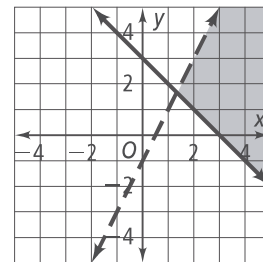
What is the solution of the system of inequalities?  $\begin{cases} 2x - y > 1 \\ x + y \geq 3 \end{cases}$

**Step 1** Solve each inequality for  $y$ .  $2x - y > 1$        $x + y \geq 3$   
 $-y > -2x + 1$       and       $y \geq -x + 3$   
 $y < 2x - 1$

**Step 2** Graph the boundary lines. Use a solid line for  $\geq$  or  $\leq$  inequalities. Use a dotted line for  $>$  and  $<$  inequalities.



**Step 3** Shade on the appropriate side of each boundary line. The overlap is the solution to the system.



### Exercises

Solve each system of inequalities by graphing.

