Unit 2 Lesson 20: Interpreting Inequalities

1 Math Talk: Solving Inequalities (Warm up)

Student Task Statement

Mentally solve for *x*.

- 5x < 10
- 10 > 6x 2
- 9x < 5 23
- 11(x-3) < 46-2

2 Checking and Graphing Inequalities

Student Task Statement

Solve each inequality. Then, check your answer using a value that makes your solution true.

1. -2x < 4

- a. Solve the inequality.
- b. Check your answer using a value that makes your solution true.

2. 3x + 5 > 6x - 4

- a. Solve the inequality.
- b. Check your answer using a value that makes your solution true.

3. $-3(x+1) \ge 13$

a. Solve the inequality.

b. Check your answer using a value that makes your solution true.

For each statement:

- Use a number line to show which values satisfy the inequality.
- Express the statement symbolically with an inequality.
- 1. The elevator can lift up to 1,200 pounds. Let *x* represent the weight being lifted by the elevator.
- 2. Over the course of the senator's term, her approval rating was always around 53% ranging 3% above or below that value. Let *x* represent the senator's approval rating.
- 3. There's a minimum of 3 years of experience required. Let *x* represent the years of experience a candidate has.

3 Card Sort: What's the Situation?

Student Task Statement

Your teacher will give you a set of cards that show a graph, an inequality, or a situation. Sort the cards into groups of your choosing. Be prepared to explain the meaning of your categories. Then, sort the cards into groups in a different way. Be prepared to explain the meaning of your new categories.