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**Solve the following inequalities**

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2. |3x 1| ≥ 5

1. 3|2x| ≤ 12

**Solve the following word problems**

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2. At the Brooks Company, the average starting salary for a new employee is $37,600, but the actual salary could differ from the average by as much $2590.

* Write an absolute value inequality to describe this situation.
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   to estimate the height, *h*, of a woman given the length in centimeters, *f*, of her femur bone.  Suppose the equation has a margin of error of + 4 centimeters and the length of a female skeleton's femur is 48 centimeters.  Write and solve an absolute value inequality that describes the woman's height in centimeters.

**Solve the following equations.**

1. |x + 9| = 24.

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| Case 1  x + 9 = 24  x = 15 | Case 2  x + 9 = 24  x = -33 |

Check the two values in the original equation.

Both solutions are true.

1. |2x 1| = 5

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| Case 1  2x – 1 = 5  2x = 6  x = 3 | Case 2  2x – 1 = 5  2x = 6  x = 3 |

Check the two values in the original equation.

Both solutions are true.

1. 2|3x1| = 16

|3x – 1| = 8

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| Case 1  3x – 1 = 8  3x = 9  x = 3 | Case 2  3x – 1 = 8  3x = 7  x = |

Check the two values in the original equation.

Both solutions are true.

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| Case 1  x – 9 = 8  x = 17 | Case 2  x – 9 = 8  x = 1 |

Check the two values in the original equation.

Only 17 is a true solution of the original equation.

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| Case 1 | Case 2 |

Check the two values in the original equation.

Both solutions are true.

It has NO solution since the result of an absolute expression is not negative. The answer is the empty set

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| Case 1 | Case 2 |

Check the two values in the original equation.

Both solutions are true.

Solve the following inequalities

1. |3x 1| < 5

(3x – 1) < 5 and 3x – 1 < 5

3x – 1 > 5 and 3x < 6

3x > 4 and x < 2

x > 4/3 and x < 2

4/3 < x < 2

1. |3x 1| ≥ 5

(3x – 1) ≥ 5 or 3x – 1 ≥ 5

3x – 1 ≤ 5 or 3x ≥ 6

3x ≤ 4 or x ≥ 2

x ≤ 4/3 or x ≥ 2

x ≤ 4/3 or x ≥ 2

1. 3|2x| ≤ 12

|2x| ≥ 4

2x ≥ 4 and 2x ≤ 4

x ≥ 2 and x ≤ 2

2 ≤ x ≤ 2

3|x – 3| ≤ 10

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Let *x* = the weight of the container.

|x – 32| = 0.5

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| Case 1  x 32 = 0.5  x = 32.5 | Case 2  x – 32 = 0.5  x = 31.5 |

*x* = 31.5 ounces (lightest)  
*x* = 32.5 ounces (heaviest)

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Let *x* = the brewing temperature..

|x – 210| = 5

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| Case 1  x – 210 = 5  x = 215 | Case 2  x – 210 = 5  x = 205 |

*x* = 205 (minimum temperature)  
*x* = 215 (maximum temperature)

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|x – 37600| ≤ 2590

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| Case 1  x – 37600 ≤ 25900  x ≤ 40190 | Case 2  x – 37600 ≥ 25900  x ≥ 35010 |

So

$35,010 ≤ x ≤ $40,190

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*h* = 2.6*f* + 47.2  
If the femur is 48 centimeters, the height is   
*h* = 2.6(48) + 47.2 = 172 centimeters

The woman's height, *h*, in centimeters can be represented by

|h – 172| ≤ 4

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| Case 1  h – 172 ≤ 4  h ≤ 176 | Case 2  h – 172 ≥ -4  h ≥ 168 |

168 centimeters < *h* < 176 centimeters