

7.4 More Uses of Factors HW: pg. 120 #23-26

Solving Quadratic Inequalities

- ① Replace inequality with "=" and make sure its = 0.
- ② Factor and place solutions on number line.
- ③ Test points to determine where to shade.
- ④ WRITE THE ANSWER!

Ex #1 Solve $x^2 + 3x - 10 \geq 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + 3x - 10 &= 0 \\ (x+5)(x-2) &= 0 \\ x = -5 &\quad x = 2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \cancel{-10} \\ \cancel{5} \quad \cancel{-2} \\ \cancel{3} \\ \text{Test } x = 0 \\ 0 + 0 - 10 \geq 0 \\ 0 \geq 0 \quad \text{True!} \\ \cup \quad \text{Test } x = 3 \\ 9 + 9 - 10 \geq 0 \\ 8 \geq 0 \quad \text{True!} \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x \leq -5 \text{ or } x \geq 2} \quad \boxed{(-\infty, -5] \cup [2, \infty)}$$

Ex #2 Solve $2x^2 + 3x - 9 < 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} 2x^2 + 3x - 9 &= 0 \\ (x+3)(2x-3) &= 0 \\ x = -3 &\quad x = \frac{3}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \cancel{6} \quad \cancel{-18} \\ \cancel{2} \quad \cancel{3} \\ \cancel{\frac{3}{2}} \\ \text{Test } x = -5 \\ 50 - 15 - 9 < 0 \\ 26 < 0 \quad \text{Yes!} \\ \text{Test } x = 2 \\ 8 + 6 - 9 < 0 \\ 5 < 0 \quad \text{No!} \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{-3 < x < \frac{3}{2}} \quad \boxed{(-3, \frac{3}{2})}$$

Ex #3 Solve $x^2 + 9x + 18 \leq 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + 9x + 18 &= 0 \\ (x+6)(x+3) &= 0 \\ x = -6 &\quad x = -3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \cancel{18} \\ \cancel{6} \quad \cancel{3} \\ \cancel{9} \\ \text{Test } x = -10 \\ 100 - 90 + 18 \leq 0 \\ 25 - 45 + 18 \leq 0 \\ \text{No!} \quad \text{Test } x = -5 \\ (-5)^2 + 9(-5) + 18 \leq 0 \\ 25 - 45 + 18 \leq 0 \quad \text{Yes!} \\ \text{Test } x = 0 \\ 0^2 + 9(0) + 18 \leq 0 \\ 18 \leq 0 \quad \text{No!} \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{-6 \leq x \leq -3} \quad \boxed{[-6, -3]}$$

Ex #4 The function $p(s) = -500s^2 + 15,000s - 100,000$ models the yearly profit Fence Me In will make installing wooden fences when the installation price is s dollars per foot.

- a) Write an inequality that can be used to determine s when the yearly profit is at least \$8,000.

$$-500s^2 + 15,000s - 100,000 \geq 8000$$

- b) Write the inequality in standard form.

$$-500s^2 + 15,000s - 100,000 \geq 8000$$

$$\frac{-500s^2}{-500} + \frac{15,000s}{-500} - \frac{108,000}{-500} \geq \frac{0}{-500}$$

$$s^2 - 30s + 216 \leq 0$$

- c) Solve & interpret the solutions.

$$s^2 - 30s + 216 = 0$$

$$(s-12)(s-18) = 0$$

$$s=12 \quad s=18$$

~~$$-12 \quad 216$$~~
~~$$-18$$~~
~~$$-30$$~~
~~$$\text{test } s=0 \quad 216 \leq 0 \quad \text{NO!}$$~~
~~$$s=15 \quad -5 \leq 0 \quad \text{YES!}$$~~
~~$$s=20 \quad 16 \leq 0 \quad \text{NO!}$$~~

$$12 \leq s \leq 18$$

$$[12, 18]$$

When the price is equal to \$12 or \$18 or anything in between, the profit is at least \$8,000.