

# Inequalities

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## INQUIRY

A roller coaster at Nanjing Happy Valley requires  $h \geq 140$  cm. You are  $x$  cm tall. How would you write the rule that decides if you can ride?

Discuss with your partner. Write your initial ideas below:

## Key Vocabulary

Term	Definition
<b>Inequality</b>	Compares values using $<$ , $>$ , $\leq$ , $\geq$ .
<b>Solution set</b>	All values that make the inequality true.
<b>Open circle</b>	$<$ or $>$ (boundary NOT included).
<b>Closed circle</b>	$\leq$ or $\geq$ (boundary IS included).

## Part A — Writing Inequalities

1. Write an inequality for each: (a) You must be at least 140 cm to ride. (b) The speed limit on a Chinese motorway is 120 km/h. (c) A Korean cinema R-rating requires age 18 or over. (d) The temperature in a German fridge must be below 5 degrees C. (e) Nanjing metro children ride free if under 6 AND shorter than 130 cm. [5 marks]

## Part B — Solving Inequalities

**2. Solve:  $3x + 5 > 20$  [2 marks]**

Show your working:

**3. Solve:  $4y - 7 \leq 13$  [2 marks]**

Show your working:

**4. Solve:  $2(a + 3) < 18$  [2 marks]**

Show your working:

**5. Solve:  $-2x > 8$  (careful!) [2 marks]**

Show your working:

**6. Solve:  $5 - 3n \geq -7$  [2 marks]**

Show your working:

## **Part C — Number Lines**

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7. Draw a number line and represent each solution: (a)  $x > 3$  (b)  $x \leq -1$  (c)  $-2 < x \leq 5$ . Use open/closed circles correctly. [6 marks]

## Part D — Real-World Problems

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8. You have 150 yuan to spend at a Nanjing bookshop. Books cost 24 yuan each. (a) Write an inequality. (b) Solve it. (c) What is the maximum number of books you can buy? [3 marks]

Show your working:

9. A Korean student needs at least 80% average across 5 tests. Their first 4 scores are 75, 88, 72, 90. (a) Write an inequality for the 5th test score. (b) What minimum score do they need? [4 marks]

Show your working:

10. A German family's electricity bill must stay under 100 euro/month. They pay 25 euro base + 0.32 euro per kWh. (a) Write an inequality. (b) What is the maximum kWh they can use? (c) If they use 8 kWh per day, will they stay under budget in a 30-day month? [4 marks]

Show your working: