

63. Guidelines for solving word problems:

- Write a verbal model that will describe what you need to know.
- Assign labels to each part of the verbal model—numbers to the known quantities and letters to the variable quantities.
- Use the labels to write an algebraic model based on the verbal model.
- Solve the resulting algebraic equation and check your solution.

65. Unit Analysis

$$\frac{9 \text{ dollars}}{\text{hour}} \cdot (20 \text{ hours}) = 180 \text{ dollars}$$

67. An example of a quadratic equation that has only one repeated solution is  $(x + 4)^2 = 0$ . Any equation of the form  $(x - c)^2 = 0$ , where  $c$  is a constant will have only one repeated solution.

## Section 6.5 Quadratic and Rational Inequalities

1.  $x(2x - 5) = 0$

$$x = 0 \quad 2x - 5 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{5}{2}$$

Critical numbers =  $0, \frac{5}{2}$

3.  $4x^2 - 81 = 0$

$$x^2 = \frac{81}{4}$$

$$x = \pm \frac{9}{2}$$

Critical numbers:  $\frac{9}{2}, -\frac{9}{2}$

5.  $x(x + 3) - 5(x + 3) = 0$

$$(x - 5)(x + 3) = 0$$

$$x = 5 \quad x = -3$$

Critical numbers:  $5, -3$

7.  $x^2 - 4x + 3 = 0$

$$(x - 3)(x - 1) = 0$$

$$x = 3 \quad x = 1$$

Critical numbers =  $3, 1$

9.  $4x^2 - 20x + 25 = 0$

$$(2x - 5)^2 = 0$$

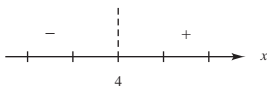
$$2x - 5 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{5}{2}$$

Critical number:  $\frac{5}{2}$

11. Negative:  $(-\infty, 4)$

Positive:  $(4, \infty)$



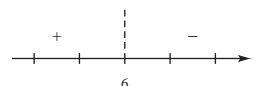
Choose a test value from each interval.

$$(-\infty, 4) \Rightarrow x = 0 \Rightarrow 0 - 4 = -4 < 0$$

$$(4, \infty) \Rightarrow x = 5 \Rightarrow 5 - 4 = 1 > 0$$

13. Negative:  $(6, \infty)$

Positive:  $(-\infty, 6)$



Choose a test value from each interval.

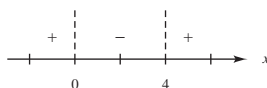
$$(-\infty, 6) \Rightarrow x = 0 \Rightarrow 3 - \frac{1}{2}(0) = 3 > 0$$

$$(6, \infty) \Rightarrow x = 8 \Rightarrow 3 - \frac{1}{2}(8) = -1 < 0$$

15. Positive:  $(-\infty, 0)$

Negative:  $(0, 4)$

Positive:  $(4, \infty)$



Choose a test value from each interval.

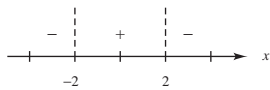
$$(-\infty, 0) \Rightarrow x = -1 \Rightarrow 2(-1)(-1 - 4) = 10 > 0$$

$$(0, 4) \Rightarrow x = 1 \Rightarrow 2(1)(1 - 4) = -6 < 0$$

$$(4, \infty) \Rightarrow x = 5 \Rightarrow 2(5)(5 - 4) = 10 > 0$$

17.  $4 - x^2 = (2 - x)(2 + x)$

 Negative:  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (2, \infty)$ 

 Positive:  $(-2, 2)$ 


Choose a test value from each interval.

$$(-\infty, -2) \Rightarrow x = -3 \Rightarrow (2 - (-3))(2 + (-3)) = -5 < 0$$

$$(-2, 2) \Rightarrow x = 0 \Rightarrow (2 - 0)(2 + 0) = 4 > 0$$

$$(2, \infty) \Rightarrow x = 3 \Rightarrow (2 - 3)(2 + 3) = -5 < 0$$

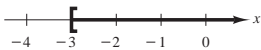
21.  $2(x + 3) \geq 0$

 Critical number:  $x = -3$ 

Test intervals:

 Negative:  $(-\infty, -3]$ 

 Positive:  $[-3, \infty)$ 

 Solution:  $[-3, \infty)$ 


27.  $3x(2 - x) \geq 0$

 Critical numbers:  $x = 0, 2$ 

Test intervals:

 Negative:  $(-\infty, 0]$ 

 Positive:  $[0, 2]$ 

 Negative:  $[2, \infty)$ 

 Solution:  $[0, 2]$ 


33.  $u^2 + 2u - 2 > 1$

$$u^2 + 2u - 3 > 0$$

$$(u + 3)(u - 1) > 0$$

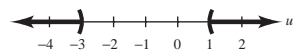
 Critical numbers:  $u = -3, 1$ 

Test intervals:

 Positive:  $(-\infty, -3)$ 

 Negative:  $(-3, 1)$ 

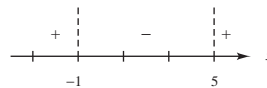
 Positive:  $(1, \infty)$ 

 Solution:  $(-\infty, -3) \cup (1, \infty)$ 


19.  $(x - 5)(x + 1)$

 Positive:  $(-\infty, -1)$ 

 Negative:  $(-1, 5)$ 

 Positive:  $(5, \infty)$ 


Choose a test value from each interval.

$$(-\infty, -1) \Rightarrow x = -2 \Rightarrow (-2 - 5)(-2 + 1) = 7 > 0$$

$$(-1, 5) \Rightarrow x = 0 \Rightarrow (0 - 5)(0 + 1) = -5 < 0$$

$$(5, \infty) \Rightarrow x = 6 \Rightarrow (6 - 5)(6 + 1) = 7 > 0$$

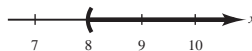
23.  $-\frac{3}{4}x + 6 < 0$

 Critical number:  $x = 8$ 

Test intervals:

 Negative:  $(8, \infty)$ 

 Positive:  $(-\infty, 8)$ 

 Solution:  $(8, \infty)$ 


25.  $3x(x - 2) < 0$

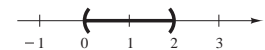
 Critical number:  $x = 0, 2$ 

Test intervals:

 Positive:  $(-\infty, 0)$ 

 Negative:  $(0, 2)$ 

 Positive:  $(2, \infty)$ 

 Solution:  $(0, 2)$ 


29.  $x^2 > 4$

$$x^2 - 4 > 0$$

$$(x - 2)(x + 2) > 0$$

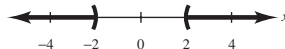
 Critical numbers:  $x = 2, -2$ 

Test intervals:

 Positive:  $(-\infty, 2)$ 

 Negative:  $(-2, 2)$ 

 Positive:  $(2, \infty)$ 

 Solution:  $(-\infty, -2) \cup (2, \infty)$ 


31.  $x^2 + 3x - 10 \leq 0$

$$(x + 5)(x - 2) \leq 0$$

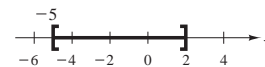
 Critical number:  $x = -5, 2$ 

Test intervals:

 Positive:  $(-\infty, -5]$ 

 Negative:  $[-5, 2]$ 

 Positive:  $[2, \infty)$ 

 Solution:  $[-5, 2]$ 


35.  $x^2 + 4x + 5 < 0$

$$x = \frac{-4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 20}}{2}$$

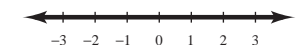
No critical numbers

 $x^2 + 4x + 5$  is not less than zero for any value of  $x$ .

Solution: none

37.  $(x + 1)^2 \geq 0$

 $(x + 1)^2 \geq 0$  for all real numbers

 Solution:  $(-\infty, \infty)$ 


39.  $x^2 - 4x + 2 > 0$

$$x = \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{16 - 8}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{4 \pm \sqrt{8}}{2} = \frac{4 \pm 2\sqrt{2}}{2}$$

$$= 2 \pm \sqrt{2}$$

Critical numbers:  $x = 2 + \sqrt{2}, 2 - \sqrt{2}$

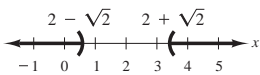
Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, 2 - \sqrt{2})$

Negative:  $(2 - \sqrt{2}, 2 + \sqrt{2})$

Positive:  $(2 + \sqrt{2}, \infty)$

Solution:  $(-\infty, 2 - \sqrt{2}) \cup (2 + \sqrt{2}, \infty)$



43.  $u^2 - 10u + 25 < 0$

$(u - 5)(u - 5) < 0$

Critical number:  $u = 5$

Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, 5)$

Positive:  $(5, \infty)$

Solution: none

47.  $-6u^2 + 19u - 10 > 0$

$6u^2 - 19u + 10 < 0$  (Multiply by  $-1$ )

$(3u - 2)(2u - 5) < 0$

Critical numbers:  $u = \frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{2}$

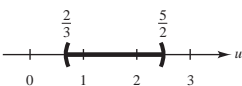
Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, \frac{2}{3})$

Negative:  $(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{2})$

Positive:  $(\frac{5}{2}, \infty)$

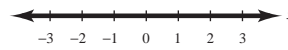
Solution:  $(\frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{2})$



41.  $x^2 - 6x + 9 \geq 0$

$(x - 3)^2 \geq 0$

$(x - 3)^2 \geq 0$  for all real numbers



45.  $3x^2 + 2x - 8 \leq 0$

$(3x - 4)(x + 2) \leq 0$

Critical numbers:  $x = \frac{4}{3}, -2$

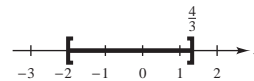
Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, -2]$

Negative:  $[-2, \frac{4}{3}]$

Positive:  $[\frac{4}{3}, \infty)$

Solution:  $[-2, \frac{4}{3}]$



49.  $2u^2 - 7u - 4 > 0$

$(2u + 1)(u - 4) > 0$

Critical numbers:  $u = -\frac{1}{2}, 4$

Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2})$

Negative:  $(-\frac{1}{2}, 4)$

Positive:  $(4, \infty)$

Solution:  $(-\infty, -\frac{1}{2}) \cup (4, \infty)$



51.  $4x^2 + 28x + 49 \leq 0$

$$(2x + 7)(2x + 7) \leq 0$$

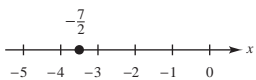
Critical number:  $x = -\frac{7}{2}$

Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, -\frac{7}{2})$

Positive:  $(-\frac{7}{2}, \infty)$

Solution:  $-\frac{7}{2}$



55.  $6 - (x^2 - 10x + 25) < 0$

$$6 - x^2 + 10x - 25 < 0$$

$$x^2 - 10x + 19 > 0$$

$$x = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{100 - 76}}{2}$$

$$= \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{24}}{2} = \frac{10 \pm 2\sqrt{6}}{2}$$

$$= 5 \pm \sqrt{6}$$

Critical numbers:  $x = 5 + \sqrt{6}, 5 - \sqrt{6}$

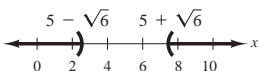
Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, 5 - \sqrt{6})$

Negative:  $(5 - \sqrt{6}, 5 + \sqrt{6})$

Positive:  $(5 + \sqrt{6}, \infty)$

Solution:  $(-\infty, 5 - \sqrt{6}) \cup (5 + \sqrt{6}, \infty)$



59.  $x(x - 2)(x + 2) > 0$

Critical numbers:  $x = 0, 2, -2$

Test intervals:

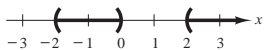
Negative:  $(-\infty, -2)$

Positive:  $(-2, 0)$

Negative:  $(0, 2)$

Positive:  $(2, \infty)$

Solution:  $(-2, 0) \cup (2, \infty)$



53.  $(x - 5)^2 > 0$  for all real numbers except 5.

Solution: none

57.  $16 \leq (u + 5)^2$

$$(u + 5)^2 \geq 16$$

$$u^2 + 10u + 25 - 16 \geq 0$$

$$u^2 + 10u + 9 \geq 0$$

$$(u + 9)(u + 1) \geq 0$$

Critical numbers:  $x = -9, -1$

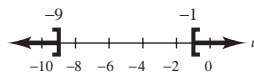
Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, -9]$

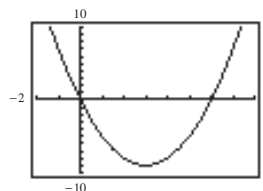
Negative:  $(-9, -1]$

Positive:  $[-1, \infty)$

Solution:  $(-\infty, -9] \cup [-1, \infty)$



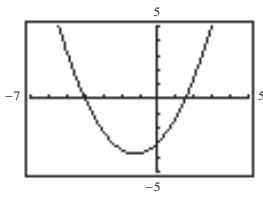
61. Keystrokes:

 $\boxed{Y=}$   $\boxed{X,T,\theta}$   $\boxed{x^2}$   $\boxed{-}$   $\boxed{6}$   $\boxed{X,T,\theta}$   $\boxed{\text{GRAPH}}$ 
 $(0, 6)$ 


63. Keystrokes:

$[Y=]$  0.5  $[X,T,\theta]$   $[x^2]$   $[+]$  1.25  $[X,T,\theta]$   $[-]$  3  $[GRAPH]$

$(-\infty, -4) \cup (\frac{3}{2}, \infty)$

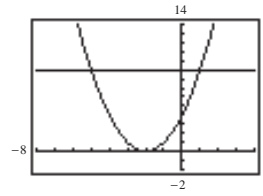


65. Keystrokes:

$y_1$   $[Y=]$   $[X,T,\theta]$   $[x^2]$   $[+]$  4  $[X,T,\theta]$   $[+]$  4  $[ENTER]$

$y_2$  9  $[GRAPH]$

$(-\infty, -5] \cup [1, \infty)$

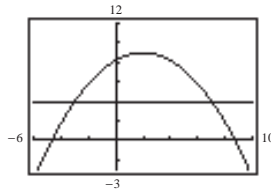


67. Keystrokes:

$y_1$   $[Y=]$  9  $[-]$  0.2  $[X,T,\theta]$   $[-]$  2  $[x^2]$

$y_2$  4  $[GRAPH]$

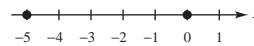
$(-\infty, -3) \cup (7, \infty)$



69. Critical number:  $x = 3$



71. Critical numbers:  $x = 0, -5$



73.  $\frac{5}{x-3} > 0$

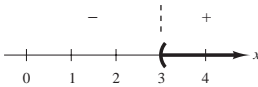
Critical number:  $x = 3$

Test intervals:

Negative:  $(-\infty, 3)$

Positive:  $(3, \infty)$

Solution:  $(3, \infty)$



75.  $\frac{-5}{x-3} > 0$

Critical number:  $x = 3$

Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, 3)$

Negative:  $(3, \infty)$

Solution:  $(-\infty, 3)$



77.  $\frac{x}{x-3} < 0$

Critical numbers:  $x = 0, 3$

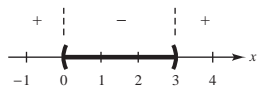
Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, 0)$

Negative:  $(0, 3)$

Positive:  $(3, \infty)$

Solution:  $(0, 3)$



79.  $\frac{x+3}{x-4} \leq 0$

Critical numbers:  $x = -3, 4$

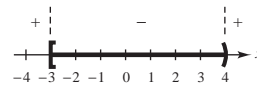
Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, -3]$

Negative:  $[-3, 4)$

Positive:  $(4, \infty)$

Solution:  $[-3, 4)$



$$81. \frac{y-4}{y+6} < 0$$

Critical numbers:  $y = 4, -6$

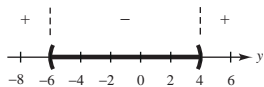
Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, -6)$

Negative:  $(-6, 4)$

Positive:  $(4, \infty)$

Solution:  $(-6, 4)$



$$83. \frac{y-3}{y-11} \geq 0$$

Critical numbers:  $y = 3, \frac{11}{2}$

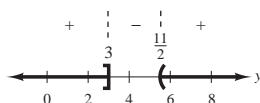
Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, 3]$

Negative:  $\left[3, \frac{11}{2}\right)$

Positive:  $\left(\frac{11}{2}, \infty\right)$

Solution:  $(-\infty, 3] \cup \left(\frac{11}{2}, \infty\right)$



$$85. \frac{x+2}{4x+6} \leq 0$$

Critical numbers:  $x = -2, -\frac{3}{2}$

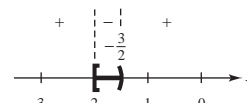
Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, -2]$

Negative:  $\left[-2, -\frac{3}{2}\right)$

Positive:  $\left(-\frac{3}{2}, \infty\right)$

Solution:  $\left[-2, -\frac{3}{2}\right)$



$$87. \frac{3(u-3)}{u+1} < 0$$

Critical numbers:  $u = 3, -1$

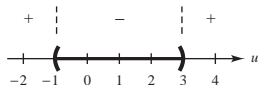
Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, -1)$

Negative:  $(-1, 3)$

Positive:  $(3, \infty)$

Solution:  $(-1, 3)$



$$89. \frac{6}{x-4} > 2$$

$$\frac{6}{x-4} - 2 > 0$$

$$\frac{6-2(x-4)}{x-4} > 0$$

$$\frac{6-2x+8}{x-4} > 0$$

$$\frac{14-2x}{x-4} > 0$$

$$\frac{-2(-7+x)}{x-4} > 0$$

Critical numbers:  $x = 7, 4$

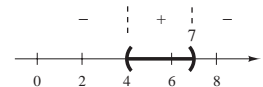
Test intervals:

Negative:  $(-\infty, 4)$

Positive:  $(4, 7)$

Negative:  $(7, \infty)$

Solution:  $(4, 7)$



$$91. \frac{4x}{x+2} < -1$$

$$\frac{4x}{x+2} + 1 < 0$$

$$\frac{4x+(x+2)}{x+2} < 0$$

$$\frac{5x+2}{x+2} < 0$$

Critical numbers:  $x = -\frac{2}{5}, -2$

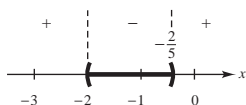
Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, -2)$

Negative:  $\left(-2, -\frac{2}{5}\right)$

Positive:  $\left(-\frac{2}{5}, \infty\right)$

Solution:  $\left(-2, -\frac{2}{5}\right)$



$$93. \frac{x-1}{x-3} \leq 2$$

$$\frac{x-1}{x-3} - 2 \leq 0$$

$$\frac{x-1-2(x-3)}{x-3} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{x-1-2x+6}{x-3} \leq 0$$

$$\frac{-x+5}{x-3} \leq 0$$

Critical numbers:  $x = 5, 3$

Test intervals:

Negative:  $(-\infty, 3)$

Positive:  $(3, 5]$

Negative:  $[5, \infty)$

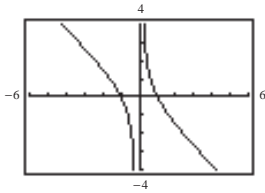
Solution:  $(-\infty, 3) \cup [5, \infty)$



95. Keystrokes:

$$Y= 1 \div (X,T,\theta) - (X,T,\theta) \text{ GRAPH}$$

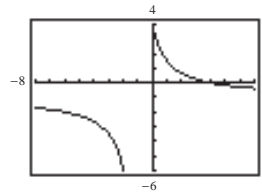
Solution:  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (0, 1)$



97. Keystrokes:

$$Y= ( (X,T,\theta) + 6 ) \div ( (X,T,\theta) + 1 ) - 2 \text{ GRAPH}$$

Solution:  $(-\infty, -1) \cup (4, \infty)$

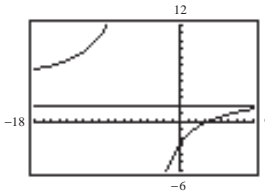


99. Keystrokes:

$$y_1 Y= ( ( 6 (X,T,\theta) - 3 ) \div ( (X,T,\theta) + 5 ) ) \text{ ENTER}$$

$$y_2 2 \text{ GRAPH}$$

Solution:  $(-5, 3.25)$

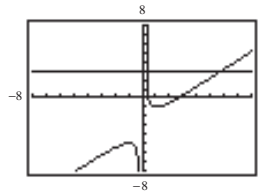


101. Keystrokes:

$$y_1 Y= (X,T,\theta) + 1 \div (X,T,\theta) \text{ ENTER}$$

$$y_2 3 \text{ GRAPH}$$

Solution:  $(0, 0.382) \cup (2.618, \infty)$



103. Keystrokes:

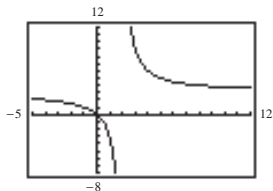
$$Y= 3 (X,T,\theta) \div ( (X,T,\theta) - 2 ) \text{ GRAPH}$$

(a) Solution  $[0, 2)$

(Look at  $x$ -axis and vertical asymptote  $x = 2$ )

(b)  $(2, 4]$

(Graph  $y = 6$  as  $y_2$  and find the intersection.)



105. Keystrokes:

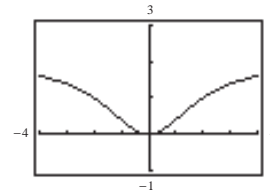
$$Y= 2 (X,T,\theta) (x^2) \div ( (X,T,\theta) (x^2) + 4 ) \text{ GRAPH}$$

(a) Solution:  $(-\infty, -2] \cup [2, \infty)$

(Graph  $y = 1$  as  $y_2$  and find the intersection.)

(b) Solution  $(-\infty, \infty)$

(Notice graph stays below line  $y = 2$ .)



107. height  $> 240$

$$-16t^2 + 128t > 240$$

$$-16t^2 + 128t - 240 > 0$$

$$t^2 - 8t + 15 < 0$$

$$(t - 3)(t - 5) < 0$$

Critical numbers:  $x = 3, 5$

Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, 3)$

Negative:  $(3, 5)$

Positive:  $(5, \infty)$

Solution:  $(3, 5)$

109.  $1000(1 + r)^2 > 1150$   
 $1000(1 + 2r + r^2) > 1150$   
 $1000 + 2000r + 1000r^2 > 1150$   
 $1000r^2 + 2000r - 150 > 0$   
 $20r^2 + 40r - 3 > 0$   
Critical numbers:  $r = \frac{-40 + \sqrt{1840}}{40}, \frac{-40 - \sqrt{1840}}{40}$

$r$  cannot be negative.

Test intervals:

Negative:  $\left(0, \frac{-40 + \sqrt{1840}}{40}\right)$

Positive:  $\left(\frac{-40 + \sqrt{1840}}{40}, \infty\right)$

Solution:  $\left(\frac{-40 + \sqrt{1840}}{40}, \infty\right)$

$(0.0724, \infty), r > 7.24\%$

111. Verbal model:  $\boxed{\text{Profit}} > 1,650,000$

$\boxed{\text{Revenue}} - \boxed{\text{Cost}} = \text{Profit} > 1,650,000$

$x(50 - 0.0002x) - [12x + 150,000] > 1,650,000$

$50x - 0.0002x^2 - 12x - 150,000 > 1,650,000$

$-0.0002x^2 + 38x - 1,800,000 > 0$

$0 > 0.0002x^2 - 38x + 1,800,000$

$0 > (0.0002x - 20)(x - 90,000)$

Critical numbers: 90,000, 100,000

Test intervals:

Positive: (0, 90,000)

Negative: (90,000, 100,000)

Positive: (100,000,  $\infty$ )

Solution: (90,000, 100,000)

$90,000 \leq x \leq 100,000$  units

113. Area  $> 240$

$l(32 - l) > 240$

$32l - l^2 > 240$

$-l^2 + 32l - 240 > 0$

$l^2 - 32l + 240 < 0$

$(l - 20)(l - 12) < 0$

Critical numbers:  $l = 20, 12$

Test intervals:

Positive:  $(-\infty, 12)$

Negative: (12, 20)

Positive: (20,  $\infty$ )

Solution: (12, 20)

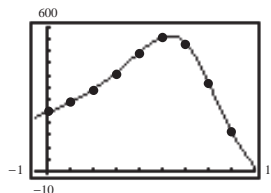
115. (a) Keystrokes:

$\boxed{Y=}$   $\boxed{}$   $\boxed{244.20}$   $\boxed{-}$   $\boxed{13.23}$   $\boxed{X,T,\theta}$   $\boxed{)}$   $\boxed{=}$   $\boxed{}$   $\boxed{1}$   $\boxed{-}$   $\boxed{.13}$

$\boxed{X,T,\theta}$   $\boxed{+}$   $\boxed{.005}$   $\boxed{X,T,\theta}$   $\boxed{x^2}$   $\boxed{)}$   $\boxed{\text{GRAPH}}$

(b) Let  $y_2 = 400$  and find the intersection of the graphs.

Solution:  $[5.7, 13.7], 5.7 \leq t \leq 13 \cdot 7$



117. The direction of the inequality is reversed, when both sides are multiplied by a negative real number.
119. A polynomial can change signs only at the  $x$ -values that make the polynomial zero. The zeros of the polynomial are called the critical numbers, and they are used to determine the test intervals in solving polynomial inequalities.
121.  $x^2 + 1 < 0$  is one example of a quadratic inequality that has no real solution. Any inequality of the form  $x^2 + c < 0$ ,  $c$  any positive constant or  $-x^2 - c > 0$ ,  $c$  any positive constant will not have a real solution.

## Review Exercises for Chapter 6

1.  $x^2 + 12x = 0$   
 $x(x + 12) = 0$   
 $x = 0 \quad x + 12 = 0$   
 $x = 0 \quad x = -12$
3.  $4y^2 - 1 = 0$   
 $(2y - 1)(2y + 1) = 0$   
 $2y - 1 = 0 \quad 2y + 1 = 0$   
 $y = \frac{1}{2} \quad y = -\frac{1}{2}$
5.  $4y^2 + 20y + 25 = 0$   
 $(2y + 5)(2y + 5) = 0$   
 $2y + 5 = 0 \quad 2y + 5 = 0$   
 $2y = -5 \quad 2y = -5$   
 $y = -\frac{5}{2} \quad y = -\frac{5}{2}$
7.  $2x^2 - 2x - 180 = 0$   
 $2(x^2 - x - 90) = 0$   
 $2(x - 10)(x + 9) = 0$   
 $x - 10 = 0 \quad x + 9 = 0$   
 $x = 10 \quad x = -9$
9.  $6x^2 - 12x = 4x^2 - 3x + 18$   
 $2x^2 - 9x - 18 = 0$   
 $(2x + 3)(x - 6) = 0$   
 $x = -\frac{3}{2} \quad x = 6$
11.  $4x^2 = 10,000$   
 $x^2 = 2500$   
 $x = \pm\sqrt{2500}$   
 $x = \pm 50$
13.  $y^2 - 12 = 0$   
 $y^2 = 12$   
 $y = \pm\sqrt{12}$   
 $y = \pm 2\sqrt{3}$
15.  $(x - 16)^2 = 400$   
 $x - 16 = \pm\sqrt{400}$   
 $x = 16 \pm 20$   
 $x = 36, -4$
17.  $z^2 = -121$   
 $z = \pm\sqrt{-121}$   
 $z = \pm 11i$
19.  $y^2 + 50 = 0$   
 $y^2 = -50$   
 $y = \pm\sqrt{-50}$   
 $y = \pm 5\sqrt{2}i$
21.  $(y + 4)^2 + 18 = 0$   
 $(y + 4)^2 = -18$   
 $y + 4 = \pm\sqrt{-18}$   
 $y = -4 \pm 3\sqrt{2}i$
23.  $x^4 - 4x^2 - 5 = 0$   
 $(x^2 - 5)(x^2 + 1) = 0$   
 $x^2 + 1 = 0$   
 $x^2 - 5 = 0 \quad x^2 = -1$   
 $x^2 = 5 \quad x = \pm\sqrt{-1}$   
 $x = \pm\sqrt{5} \quad x = \pm i$
25.  $x - 4\sqrt{x} + 3 = 0$   
 $(\sqrt{x} - 3)(\sqrt{x} - 1) = 0$   
 $(\sqrt{x} - 3) = 0 \quad (\sqrt{x} - 1) = 0$   
 $\sqrt{x} = 3 \quad \sqrt{x} = 1$   
 $(\sqrt{x})^2 = 3^2 \quad (\sqrt{x})^2 = 1^2$   
 $x = 9 \quad x = 1$
- Check:**  
 $9 - 4\sqrt{9} + 3 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$   
 $9 - 12 + 3 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$   
 $0 = 0$
- Check:**  
 $1 - 4\sqrt{1} + 3 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$   
 $1 - 4 + 3 \stackrel{?}{=} 0$   
 $0 = 0$