

**2.1 Practice A**

**In Exercises 1–6, write the sentence as an inequality.**

1. A number  $x$  is less than 2.
2. A number  $m$  plus 4 is greater than or equal to 7.
3. Ten is no less than a number  $q$  multiplied by 6.
4. Four times a number  $p$  is more than 22.
5. One-third of a number  $t$  is less than or equal to 5.
6. Six is more than the difference of a number  $d$  and 1.
7. There are 65 people in a restaurant. The restaurant has a maximum capacity of 84 people. Write an inequality that represents the number  $x$  of additional people who can enter the restaurant.

**In Exercises 8–13, tell whether the value is a solution of the inequality.**

8.  $u + 7 < 4$ ;  $u = 2$
9.  $8 - x \geq 3$ ;  $x = 2$
10.  $5p \geq 24$ ;  $p = 6$
11.  $15 \leq 4w$ ;  $w = 3$
12.  $-3 > -\frac{x}{5}$ ;  $x = 10$
13.  $\frac{8}{y} \leq 6$ ;  $y = 2$
14. The largest alligator ever caught in Mississippi weighed 727 pounds.
  - a. Write an inequality that represents the weights of every other alligator that has ever been caught in Mississippi.
  - b. Is 750 pounds a solution to your inequality? Explain.

**In Exercises 15–20, graph the inequality.**

15.  $x \geq 4$
16.  $j < 3$
17.  $m \leq -1$
18.  $-3 < t$
19.  $-5 \geq q$
20.  $w < -4$

**In Exercises 21–23, write and graph an inequality for the given solution set.**

21.  $\{x \mid x > 3\}$
22.  $\{p \mid p \leq 0\}$
23.  $\{w \mid w \geq -6\}$
24. To qualify for an award, a student volunteers no less than 5 hours each week at the local hospital. Write an inequality that represents how many hours the student volunteers each week.