6-3 Study Guide and Intervention Square Root Functions and Inequalities

Square Root Functions A function that contains the square root of a variable expression is a square root function. The domain of a square root function is those values for which the radicand is greater than or equal to 0.

Example: Graph $y = \sqrt{3x - 2}$. State its domain and range.

Since the radicand cannot be negative, the domain of the function is $3x - 2 \ge 0$ or $x \ge \frac{2}{2}$.

The *x*-intercept is $\frac{2}{3}$. The range is $y \ge 0$.

Make a table of values and graph the function.





Exercises

Graph each function. State the domain and range.



4. $y = 2\sqrt{x-3}$





5. $y = -\sqrt{2x - 3}$



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6. $y = \sqrt{2x + 5}$



6-3 Study Guide and Intervention (continued) Square Root Functions and Inequalities

Square Root Inequalities A square root inequality is an inequality that contains the square root of a variable expression. Use what you know about graphing square root functions and graphing inequalities to graph square root inequalities.

Example: Graph $y \le \sqrt{2x-1} + 2$.

Graph the related equation $y = \sqrt{2x - 1} + 2$. Since the boundary should be included, the graph should be solid.

The domain includes values for $x \ge \frac{1}{2}$, so the graph is to the right of $x = \frac{1}{2}$.



Exercises Graph each inequality.

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4. $y < \sqrt{3x - 4}$



7. $y \ge \sqrt{3x+1} - 2$







5. $y \ge \sqrt{x+1} - 4$



8. $y \le \sqrt{4x - 2} + 1$



6. $y > 2\sqrt{2x - 3}$

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3. $y < 3\sqrt{2x-1}$



9. $y < 2\sqrt{2x - 1} - 4$

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6-3 Skills Practice Square Root Functions and Inequalities

Graph each function. State the domain and range of each function.









4. $y = \sqrt{x + 3}$

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Graph each inequality.

7. $f(x) < \sqrt{4x}$



5. $v = -\sqrt{2x - 5}$

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6. $y = \sqrt{x+4} - 2$



8. $f(x) \ge \sqrt{x+1}$



9. $f(x) \le \sqrt{4x - 3}$

