

## PRACTICE

### EXAMPLE 1

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for Exs. 1–6

Use a table to solve the inequality.

$$1. \frac{5}{x-2} < 0$$

$$2. \frac{x-5}{x+3} > 1$$

$$3. \frac{x^2 - 3x + 2}{x-3} < x$$

$$4. \frac{10}{x+2} > 0$$

$$5. \frac{-2x-3}{x-4} > 0$$

$$6. \frac{x^2 - 4x + 8}{x-1} < x$$

### EXAMPLE 2

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for Exs. 7–12

Use a graph to solve the inequality.

$$7. -\frac{4}{x+5} < 0$$

$$8. \frac{4}{x-3} < 0$$

$$9. \frac{8}{x^2+1} \geq 4$$

$$10. \frac{20}{x^2+1} < 2$$

$$11. \frac{3x+2}{x-1} < -2$$

$$12. \frac{3x+2}{x-1} > x$$

### EXAMPLE 3

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for Exs. 13–18

Solve the inequality algebraically.

$$13. \frac{3}{x+2} > 0$$

$$14. -\frac{1}{x+5} \leq -2$$

$$15. \frac{2}{x+2} > \frac{1}{x+3}$$

$$16. \frac{5}{x-4} < \frac{1}{x+4}$$

$$17. \frac{5}{x+3} \geq \frac{4}{x+2}$$

$$18. \frac{2}{x+6} > \frac{-3}{x-3}$$

19. **EGG PRODUCTION** From 1994 to 2002, the total number  $E$  (in billions) of eggs produced in the United States can be modeled by

$$E = \frac{-3680}{t-50}, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 8$$

where  $t$  is the number of years since 1994. For what years was the number of eggs produced greater than 80 billion?

20. **PHONE COSTS** One phone company advertises a flat rate of \$.07 per minute for long-distance calls. Your long-distance plan charges \$5.00 per month plus a rate of \$.05 per minute. How many minutes do you have to talk each month so that your average cost is less than \$.07 per minute?
21. **SATELLITE TV** You subscribe to a satellite television service. The monthly cost for programming is \$43, and there is a one-time installation fee of \$50. The average monthly cost  $c$  of the service is given by  $c = \frac{43t+50}{t}$  where  $t$  is the time (in months) that you have subscribed to the service. For what subscription times is the average monthly cost at most \$47? Solve the problem using a table and using a graph.
22. **FUNDRAISER** Your school is publishing a wildlife calendar to raise money for a local charity. The total cost of using the photos in the calendar is \$710. In addition to this one-time charge, the unit cost of printing each calendar is \$4.50.
- The school wants the average cost per calendar to be below \$10. Write a rational inequality relating the average cost per calendar to the desired cost per calendar.
  - Solve the inequality from part (a) by graphing. How many calendars need to be printed to bring the average cost per calendar below \$10?
  - Suppose the school wanted to have the average cost per calendar be below \$6. How many calendars would then need to be printed?