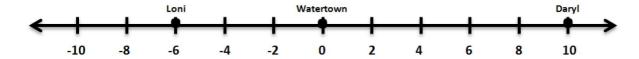
Statements of Order in the Real World

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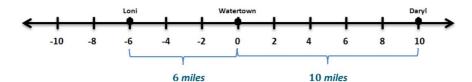
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Loni's location is -6 and |-6|=6 because -6 is 6 units from 0 on the number line. Daryl's location is 10 and |10|=10 because 10 is 10 units from 0 on the number line. We know that 10>6, so Daryl is farther from Watertown than Loni.

10-6=4; Loni is 4 miles closer to Watertown than Daryl.

2. Claude recently read that no one has ever scuba dived more than 330 meters below sea level. Describe what this means in terms of elevation using sea level as a reference point.

330 meters below sea level is an elevation of -330 feet. "More than 330 meters below sea level" means that no one has ever had more than 330 meters between them and sea level when they were below the water's surface while scuba diving.

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(pounds per square inch)	25						

$$-13 < -7.8 < -6.3 < -1.9 < 2 < 7.8 < 25$$

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No, he does not have enough fuel to drive to the town and then back to the fuel station. He needs 8 miles worth of fuel to get to the town, which lowers his limit to 18 miles. The total distance between the fuel station and the town is |8| + |-19| = 8 + 19 = 27 miles. Nic would be 9 miles short on fuel. It would be safer to go back to the fuel station without going to the town first.