## EXPLORATION

## 3-4 Linear Programming

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| E | 30 | 7 |  |  |  |

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| A | 10 | 25 | $\$ 150$ | $\$ 250$ | $\$ 400$ |
| B | 30 | 9 | $\$ 450$ | $\$ 90$ | $\$ 540$ |
| C | 20 | 15 | $\$ 300$ | $\$ 150$ | $\$ 450$ |
| D | 25 | 10 | $\$ 375$ | $\$ 100$ | $\$ 475$ |
| E | 30 | 7 | $\$ 450$ | $\$ 70$ | $\$ 520$ |

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4. Describe another inequality you can write to represent one of Fred's criteria. $x+y<40$
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6. Possible answer: $\mathbf{2 8}$ hours of yard work, 8 hours at the mall
7. No; even if he worked 40 hours at the mall, his total wages would be only $\$ 400$.
