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**Our value: Self – belief and hard work will always earn you success**

worksheet U. 5

Grade 7 (A + B)

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**Objectives: To review degrees of comparison.**

 **To practise using comparative and superlative adjectives.**

Degrees of comparison

Comparative and superlative







10 years 9 years 2 years

Bart is young. Lisa is young**er**. Maggie is **the** young**est**.

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| * **Use**1. We use the **comparative form + than** to compare two people or things.

Alex is **taller** than Jim. (one syllable)My house is **more attractive than** your house. ( 3 syllables) 1. We use **the + superlative form + of/in** to compare one person or thing with more than two people or things in the same group.

Alex is the **tallest of** all.New York is **the most exciting city in** the USA. ~~(~~**~~Not: of the USA)~~****We use in when we talk about places.** |
| **Formation** | **ADJECTIVE** | **COMPARATIVE** | **SUPERLATIVE** |
| **1.General rule** (short words)* **adj. + -er + than**
* **the + adj. + -est**

***2.Ending in –e:**** Adj. + -r + than
* the + Adj. + -st

***3.Ending in short vowel + consonant:***double the consonant***4.Ending in consonant + –y:**** replace –y --> –ier or -iest
 | longsmartoldtallnic**e**biglaz**y**funn**y**happ**y** | long**er**smart**er than**old**er**tall**er**nice**r**bi**gg**erlaz**ier**funn**ier**happ**ier** |  long**est**the smart**est**  old**est** tall**est** nice**st** bi**gg**est laz**iest** funn**iest** happ**iest** |
| **5.General rule** (long words)* **MORE + Adj.**
* **MOST + Adj.**
 | popularresponsiblehandsomenervous | **more** popular**more** responsible**more** handsome**more** nervous | **most** popular**most** responsible**most** handsome**most** nervous |
| ***6.Exceptions*** | goodwellbadbadlyfarmuchmanylittle | **better****better****worse****worse****further****more****more****less** | **best****best****worst****worst****furthest****most****most****least** |

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| **Examples:*** Bart is **young**. Lisa is **younger** **than** Bart but Maggie is **the** **youngest**.
* Marge is **funny**. Bart is **funnier than** Marge but Homer is **the funniest**.
* Bart is **responsible**. Lisa is **more responsible** than Bart but Marge is **the most responsible**.
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 **as+ adjective + as**

We use **as +adjective + as** to show that two people or things **are similar in some way.**

The sofa is **as comfortable as** the armchair.

Paul **is as old as** Richard.

Peter is **as tall as** Tom.

**In negative sentences, we use not as ……as**

Alison **is not as clever as** Cynthia**.**

John **is not as strong as** Sam.

**Examples:**

1. Paul is stronger than Alan.

**As** Alan **is not as strong as** Paul.

1. This book has got 160 pages, that book has got 160 pages, too.

**As** This book **is as thick as** that one.

1. **Lisa is prettier than Clara.**

**As** Clara is not as pretty as Lisa.

**Exercise 1: Complete the sentences with the comparative form of adjectives between brackets.**

1. This story is (**funny**) funnier than that one.

2. I think mathematics is (**difficult**) more difficult than English.

3. A giraffe's neck is (**thin**) thinner than an elephant’s neck.

4. The weather today is (**good**) better than it was yesterday.

5. A holiday by the sea is (**expensive**) more expensive than a holiday in the mountains.

6. The weather yesterday was (**bad**)worse than it is today.

7. Non-smokers usually live (**long**) longer than smokers.

8. A rose is (**beautiful**) more beautiful than a weed.

**Exercise 2:** **Make comparative sentences:**

1. Tom – tall – Jerry

Tom is taller than Jerry.

2. Vegetables – good – sweets

Vegetables are better than sweets.

3. English – interesting – biology

English is more interesting than biology.

4. Europe – small – Asia

Europe is smaller than Asia.

**Exercise 3: Complete the sentences with the superlative form of adjectives between brackets.**

1. The Nile is (**long**)the longest river in the world.

 2. Morocco is (**hot**) the hottest country I’ve ever been to.

3. This exercise is (**easy**) the easiest exercise in the whole book.

4. Which is (**safe**)the safest way to travel?

5. Who is (**intelligent**)the most intelligent pupil in the class?

6. This party will be (**big**) the biggest party in his life.

7. Harry Potter is the most successful (**Successful**) fantasy film.

**Exercise 4: Fill in the following sentences with a comparative or a superlative. Use the adjective in brackets.**

1. Men can read (**small**) print than woman can; woman can hear (**good**)than men.

 Men can read smaller print than woman can, woman can hear better than men.

2. A kangaroo rat can last (**long**) without water than a camel. A kangaroo rat can last longer without water than a camel.

3. “I am” is the (**short**) complete sentence in the English language. ‘’I am’’ is the shortest complete sentence in the English language.

4. You will be able to walk (**far**) if you wear professional hiking shoes. You’ll be able to walk farther than if you wear professional hiking shoes.

**Exercise 5: Write the comparative and superlative forms.**

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| **Long** | Longer than  | The longest  |
| **Expensive** | More expensive than | The most expensive |
| **happy** | Happier than | The happiest  |
| **Fat** | Fatter than  | The fattest  |
| **Pretty** | Prettier than  | The prettiest  |
| **Good** | Better than | The best  |
| **Far** | Farther than | The farthest  |
| **Big** | Bigger than | The biggest  |
| **Loud** | Louder than | The loudest  |

**Thank You**