

COMPARATIVE ADJECTIVES



Lesson 7

Activity 1: Study this chart about comparatives.

This is the rule for short adjectives:

For short adjectives we add -er (than). Be careful of spelling.	Big	bigger	This model is bigger than the other one.
	Fast	faster	This car is faster than the old one.
	easy	easier	Your car is easier to drive than my car.

1. A small car is _____ to drive than a big vehicle. (easy)
2. This engine is _____ than the one in that car. (old)
3. Older cars are usually _____ than the new ones. (large)

This is the rule for long adjectives:

For long adjectives we use more/less (than).	difficult	More/less difficult	This engine is more difficult to repair than the new one.
	expensive	More/less expensive	The old model is more expensive than the new model!
	reliable	More/less reliable	This steering wheel is less reliable than the one I have.

1. This engine is _____ than the old one. (powerful)
2. The sports car is _____ than the saloon. (comfortable)
3. That new model of motorcycle is _____ to drive. (difficult)

This is the rule for irregular adjectives:

Some comparatives are irregular.	good	better	This seats are better than the original ones.
	bad	worse	This is the worst GPS I've ever used.

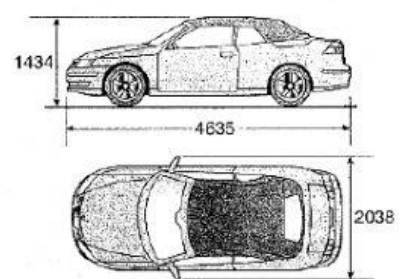
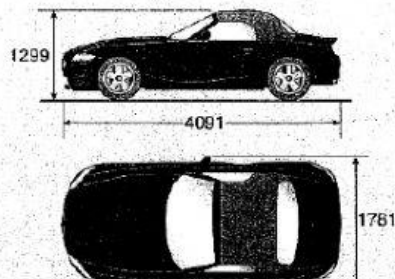
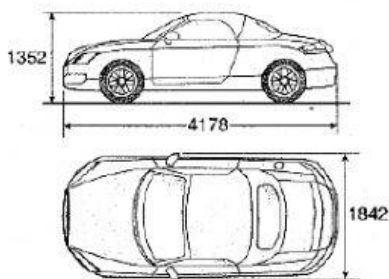
1. It is _____ to travel with a friend rather than alone.
2. These new mirrors are _____ than the old ones. They are all made of a bad quality plastic.
3. If the car is not serviced regularly, it will be _____ in the future.
4. Used cars have _____ prices than new ones. They are cheaper.

Activity 2: Write the comparative form of the adjectives in brackets in the spaces. Write either one or two words in each space.

At 1.83 metres, the Toyota Land Cruiser is (1)_____ (high) than the Jeep Cherokee. It also has a (2)_____ (powerful) engine and a (3)_____ (long) wheelbase than the Jeep. The Toyota's fuel tank is (4)_____ (big), and it has a (5)_____ (fast) maximum speed than the Jeep. But the Toyota is (6)_____ (expensive) than the Jeep, and consumes more fuel.

Activity 3: Choose two of these cars and make comparisons between them. Use the following adjectives.

big fast wide high economical good



Car 1: the Audi TT 2.0T FSI

Fuel tank capacity	55 L
Engine size	1,984 cc
Top speed	149 mph
Acceleration	0 to 62 mph: 6.6 sec.
Fuel consumption	36.7 mpg
CO ₂ emission	183 g/km

Car 2: the BMW Z4 2.0i SE Roadster

Fuel tank capacity	55 L
Engine size	1,998 cc
Top speed	137 mph
Acceleration	0 to 62 mph: 8.2 sec.
Fuel consumption	37.7 mpg
CO ₂ emission	181 g/km

Car 3: the Saab 93 convertible 1.8t 150bhp

Fuel tank capacity	62 L
Engine size	1,998 cc
Top speed	127 mph
Acceleration	0 to 60 mph: 11.0 sec.
Fuel consumption	37.2 mpg
CO ₂ emission	233 g/km

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

