

## COMPARATIVE ADJECTIVES



### Lesson 8

Activity 1: Make the comparative of these adjectives.

Easy: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fast: \_\_\_\_\_  
Comfortable: \_\_\_\_\_  
Difficult: \_\_\_\_\_  
Good: \_\_\_\_\_  
Old: \_\_\_\_\_  
Expensive: \_\_\_\_\_  
Reliable: \_\_\_\_\_  
Big: \_\_\_\_\_  
Powerful: \_\_\_\_\_  
Large: \_\_\_\_\_  
Difficult: \_\_\_\_\_  
Bad: \_\_\_\_\_  
High: \_\_\_\_\_  
Wide: \_\_\_\_\_  
Economical: \_\_\_\_\_

Activity 2: Look at the information about specifications of these engines and choose the best answers.

| SPECIFICATIONS | Engine           |          |        |        |        |
|----------------|------------------|----------|--------|--------|--------|
|                | A                | B        | C      | D      | E      |
| Shaft length   | 25 in            | 20 in    | 20 in  | 20 in  | 25 in  |
| Engine weight  | 349 lb           | 496 lb   | 442 lb | 370 lb | 407 lb |
| Power          | 115 hp @5500 rpm |          |        |        |        |
| Price          | \$10,000         | \$10,520 | \$9490 | \$8934 | \$9150 |

1. Engine A has a (shorter / longer) shaft than Engine B.
2. Engine C has a (shorter / longer) shaft than Engine E.
3. Engine D is (lighter / heavier) than Engine A.
4. Engine D is (cheaper / more expensive) than Engine C.
5. Engine A is (lighter / heavier) than Engine E.
6. Engine A is (cheaper/ more expensive) than Engine E.
7. Engine D has a (shorter / longer) shaft than Engine A.
8. Engine D is (more expensive / more economical) than Engine B.

**Activity 3:** Look at this chart and put the words in order to make comparative sentences.

| TEST RESULTS           | Engine |       |      |       |       |
|------------------------|--------|-------|------|-------|-------|
|                        | A      | B     | C    | D     | E     |
| 0-40 km/h (seconds)    | 11.48  | 13.19 | 9.38 | 11.74 | 13.25 |
| Top Speed (mph)        | 44.1   | 44.4  | 48.0 | 46.8  | 45.0  |
| Sound Level (dB)       | 118    | 106   | 121  | 114   | 108   |
| Fuel Consumption (gph) | 3.6    | 4.1   | 4.5  | 7.5   | 4.0   |

1. Engine A (faster/ is / than) Engine C.

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2. Engine C (acceleration / has / faster /a) from 0-40 km/h than Engine E.

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3. Engine A (more / economical / than/ is) Engine C and D.

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4. Engine A (noisier / than / is) Engine Engine B.

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5. Engine C (consumption / a / fuel / higher / has) than Engine A and D.

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**Activity 4:** Complete the dialogue between a car salesman (S) and a customer (C). Make comparisons between the two cars.

|                             | 1000                    | 1300            |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Engine size                 | 1.0 litre               | 1.3 litre       |
| Top speed                   | 155 kph                 | 170 kph         |
| Acceleration                | 0-100 kph: 15.7 seconds | 0-100 kph: 11.5 |
| Fuel tank capacity          | 40 litre                | 50 litre        |
| Fuel consumption (combined) | 18.5 km/litre           | 16.5 km/litre   |

S: The 1300 is quite a bit (1) *faster* (fast) than the 1000.

C: Yes, but doesn't it use (2) *more* petrol?

S: Sure, the fuel consumption on the 1300 is a little bit (3) \_\_\_\_\_ (high).

C: So, I'll have to fill up with petrol (4) \_\_\_\_\_ (often).

S: In fact, the 1300 has a (5) \_\_\_\_\_ (large) fuel tank.

C: How much (6) \_\_\_\_\_ (large)?

S: It holds 10 litres (7) \_\_\_\_\_ than the 1000. So that even things out. The 1300 has (8) \_\_\_\_\_ (great) acceleration. So it's much (9) \_\_\_\_\_ (safe), because you can overtake (10) \_\_\_\_\_ (fast).

C: Because it's got a (11) \_\_\_\_\_ (powerful) engine, I suppose.

S: Of course, The 1300 is (12) \_\_\_\_\_ (good) value for money.

C: But it's quite a bit (13) \_\_\_\_\_ (expensive). You see, the 1300 is (14) \_\_\_\_\_ \$13,000, and I want to spend (15) \_\_\_\_\_ than \$10,000. So the 1000 will be (16) \_\_\_\_\_ (good) for my budget.