

COMPARISON OF ADJECTIVES AND ADVERBS

Structure ".....+ comparative,+ comparative":

The + comparative + S + V the + comparative + S + V.

We use that structure to show how one action or situation affects another.

Example:

The richer she is the more selfish she becomes.
The more intelligent he is the lazier he becomes.

1. The ____ you study for these exams, the ____ you will do.
 - a. hard - better
 - b. harder - more successfully
 - c. much - better
 - d. more - good

2. She doesn't really like vodka, so the ____ a bottle you find, the ____ it will be for us!
 - a. small - cheaper
 - b. smaller - cheap
 - c. smaller - good
 - d. smaller - cheaper

3. My neighbor is driving me mad! It seems that the ____ it is at night, the ____ he plays his music!
 - a. later - more loud
 - b. late - louder
 - c. later - louder
 - d. more late - loud

4. He spent a year in India and loves spicy food. The ____ the food is, the ____ he likes it.
 - a. hotter - more
 - b. hot - much
 - c. hotter - much
 - d. hot - more

5. Of course you can come to the party! The ____ the ____.
- a. more - merrier
 - b. more - good
 - c. many - better
6. She will be really angry about that vase being broken! The ____ she knows about it, the ____.
- a. more - better
 - b. less - better
 - c. worse - worse
 - d. worse - better
7. He has 6 large dogs to protect his house. The ____ the dogs are, the ____ he feels.
- a. big - safer
 - b. bigger - safer
 - c. bigger - safer
 - d. more big - more safe
8. Earning money has always been the thing that pleases him most. The ____ he becomes, the ____ he is.
- a. more rich - happier
 - b. richer - happier
 - c. richer - happier
9. You must drive slower in built up areas. The ____ you drive in the city, the ____ it is that you will have an accident.
- a. faster - probable
 - b. quicker - probably
 - c. faster - more probably
 - d. quicker - more probable

Comparative and superlative

	Short adjectives	Long adjectives
Comparative	S + V/tobe + adj-er than.... <u>Example:</u> - My house is larger than hers. - Your dog runs faster than Jim's dog.	S + V/tobe + more + adj than.... <u>Example:</u> - This computer is more expensive than the one I bought last week. - Is the Sun more important than the Moon?
Superlative	S + V/tobe + the + adj-est + Noun <u>Example:</u> - This is the smallest box I've ever seen. - Our dog ran the fastest of any dog in the race.	S + V/tobe + the + most adj + Noun <u>Example:</u> - Max's house in the mountains is the most peaceful in the world. - Mary is the most thoughtful person I've ever met.

1. Sally is the _____ girl
in our class.

- A. tall
- B. taller
- C. tallest

2. Of the two, I think Tim is
_____.

- A. smart
- B. smarter
- C. smartest

3. Mom bought a _____
dress than I did.

- A. pretty
- B. prettier

C. prettiest

4. In all the world, Paris is probably the _____ city.

A. romantic

B. more romantic

C. most romantic

5. Mary's _____ cry got my attention.

A. hysterical

B. more hysterical

C. most hysterical

6. My husband is very

_____.

A. handsome

B. more handsome

C. most handsome

7. The _____ girl that I took to prom is sick.

A. lovely

B. lovelier

C. loveliest

8. Between the two, I think the yellow dress is _____.

A. stylish

B. more stylish

C. most stylish

9. I was _____ than ever before.

A. tired

B. more tired

C. most tired

10. Of the three choices, the second one is the _____.

A. nice

B. nicer

C. nicest

11. Mary behaved _____ at the party.

A. nicely

B. more nicely

C. most nicely

12. Charles sang _____ of everyone in the choir.

A. loudly

B. more loudly

C. most loudly

13. The patient's illness was
_____ painful.

- A. unbelievably
- B. more unbelievably
- C. most unbelievably

14. My dog barked
_____ than her dog.

- A. fiercely
- B. more fiercely
- C. most fiercely

15. Of the three men, the
_____ exhausted one
collapsed.

- A. thoroughly
- B. more thoroughly
- C. most thoroughly

16. They are the _____
married couple of anyone I know.

- A. happily
- B. more happily
- C. most happily

17. I am _____ coming to
the conclusion that you are right.

- A. slowly
- B. more slowly
- C. most slowly

18. It was the _____
attempted stunt I had ever
witnessed.

- A. dangerously
- B. more dangerously
- C. most dangerously

19. The students arrived for class
_____ than ever before.

- A. cheerfully
- B. more cheerfully
- C. most cheerfully

20. I _____ descended
the stairs in the subway.

- A. rapidly
- B. more rapidly
- C. most rapidly

Comparisons of equality (as...as):

S + V/to be + (not) as + adj/ adv + as + noun/ pronoun.

Example:

*He has grown so much. He's **as tall as** his father now.*

*The team is not **as good as** it was five years ago.*

Use either as ... as or not as ... as in the sentences below.

Example: Ben Nevis is _____ as Mont Blanc (not/high).

Answer: Ben Nevis is not as high as Mont Blanc.

- 1) The blue car is _____ the red car. (fast)
- 2) Peter is _____ Fred. (not/tall)
- 3) The violin is _____ the cello. (not/low)
- 4) This copy is _____ the other one. (bad)
- 5) Oliver is _____ Peter. (optimistic)
- 6) Today it's _____ yesterday. (not/windy)
- 7) The tomato soup was _____ the mushroom soup. (delicious)
- 8) Grapefruit juice is _____ lemonade. (not/sweet)
- 9) Nick is _____ Kevin. (brave)
- 10) Silver is _____ gold. (not/heavy)

TOO, ENOUGH, SO, SUCH

TOO	We use too to show that something is more than we want or need. <u>Example:</u> <i>This cup of coffee is too hot. I can't drink now!</i>
ENOUGH	We use enough to show that something is as much as we want or need. <u>Example:</u> <i>She is old enough to study aboard.</i>
SO	We use so before an adjective or an adverb. <u>Example:</u> <i>The butterfly is so beautiful.</i> <i>He runs so quickly that I can't follow him.</i>
SUCH	We use such before a noun. <u>Example:</u> <i>He is such a crazy boy.</i> <i>You did such a good job.</i>

- 1- She is clever to pass the test.
- 2- The skirt is long for you.
- 3- Kate is young to drive a car.
- 4- There is meat in the fridge for the whole week.
- 5- I didn't work hard to pass the exam.
- 6- We can't buy the car because it is expensive.
- 7- He can't sleep because he drinks much coffee.
- 8- Are you tall to reach that shelf?
- 9- They often take the bus to school because it's far to walk.
- 10- She isn't fast to win the race.

11. I ... that I fell asleep on the bus.

- a. was such tired
- b. was tired
- c. was so tired
- d. so tired

12. It was ... it broke down every few weeks.

- a. such an old that
- b. such an old car so
- c. so an old car that
- d. such an old car that

13. We were ... that we ate the food before it was properly cooked.

- a. such hungry
- b. so hungry
- c. such hunger
- d. so a hungry

14. He was ... that he hardly had any friends at all.

- a. so shy
- b. such a shy
- c. such shy
- d. shy so

15. They were ... that they were invited to parties every weekend.

- a. so a popular couple
- b. so popular couple
- c. such popular
- d. such a popular couple

16. The music was ... that I could hardly hear myself think.

- a. so loudly
- b. such loudly
- c. such loud
- d. so loud