

Exercise 1. Choose the correct answers

1. Jim boasted that he could run (faster/fastlier) than anyone else in his class.
2. her presentation is (poorer/ more poorly) prepared than I expected.
3. Jim seems to care (littler/less) about his health than he could.
4. If you had tried (harder/more hardly), you would have passed the test.
5. Today the sun shines (brighter/ more brightly) than yesterday.
6. Snow storm in my hometown is (more severe/ more severely) than anywhere else in the country.
7. I think you could reach a (higher/ more highly) position in the company if you tried.
8. If you behaved (cleverer/ more cleverly), they would look up to you.
9. Although my computer is old-fashioned, it runs (smoother/ more smoothly) than many of the modern ones.
10. Thanks to immense practice, Jim can speak English much (more fluent/more fluently) than he used to.

Exercise 2. Give the comparative form of the adjectives or adverbs in brackets to complete the following sentences:

1. Urban sprawl has happened (fast) _____ than ever before.
2. Ha Noi is much (populous) _____ than my hometown.
3. The city center is (densely) _____ populated than the suburbs.
4. You can count on Peter. He is (reliable) _____ than he appears to be.
5. This singer performs (well) _____ than she used to be three years ago.
6. This year we travel (far) _____ than we did last year.
7. I notice that today my daughter looked (happy) _____ than usual.
8. As people get old, they try to maintain a (healthy) _____ lifestyle than when they are young.
9. Travelling by bus is much (slow) _____ than travelling by bullet train.
10. Jim didn't feel well today, so he performed (badly) _____ than usual.

Exercise 3. Give the comparative or superlative form of the adjectives in brackets to complete the following sentences.

1. John is the second (intelligent) _____ student in his class.
2. If only the traffic in my hometown was (convenient) _____ than it is now.
3. Ha Noi is amongst (polluted) _____ city in the world.
4. I wish that my house was (spacious) _____.
5. By far, this is (stunning) _____ scene I have ever seen.
6. He seems to be (tall) _____ amongst the children at his age.
7. You did a quiet good job yesterday but I expected you to be (good) _____
You got me down a little bit.
8. This must be (inspiring) _____ speech of yours. Everyone in the room clapped their hands in delight.
9. Admittedly, I anticipated a (good) _____ performance of yours. You didn't prepare well for this, did you?
10. This is not (expensive) _____ car in the showroom. There are many other cars at higher cost.

Exercise 4. Complete the sentences with the suitable form of the adjectives or adverbs in brackets.

1. Tokyo is one of _____ cities in the world. (liveable)
2. You should go by train, it would be much _____. (cheap)

3. Universal Studios is by far _____ place to visit in Singapore. (good)
4. The price of electronic devices in Vietnam is not _____ that in Japan. (reasonable)
5. Today is _____ day I've had in a long time. (bad)
6. Your team is much _____ today than last week. (lucky)
7. Of the four participants, Bill is _____ experienced. (little)
8. I didn't want to wake anybody up, so I came in _____ I could. (quietly)
9. I ran pretty far yesterday, but I ran even a lot _____ today. (far)
10. Singapore is the second _____ destination in Asia. (popular)

Exercise 5. Rewrite the following sentences so that the meaning remains the same, using the comparative form of the adverb or adjective.

0. Living in the city is much more expensive than living in the countryside.
=> Living in the countryside is much cheaper than living in the city.
1. My current house is more spacious than the old one.
=> My old house _____.
2. He performed better than he was expected.
=> He was expected _____.
3. This time Mike ran faster than his brother.
=> This time Mike's brother _____.
4. I think you will have a higher position in our company than Jim.
=> I think Jim will _____.
5. Jane decorated her cake more beautifully than I did.
=> I _____.
6. This year Peter invested a larger amount of money on his business than last year.
=> Last year _____.
7. My computer is costlier than Jim's.
=> Jim's computer _____.
8. Playing sports is more time-saving than playing computer games.
=> Playing computer games _____.

Exercise 6. Complete the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first one.

1. Real Madrid is not as good as Real Zaragoza.
→ Real Zaragoza is _____.
2. He thinks no language in the world is more difficult than Chinese.
→ He thinks Chinese is _____.
3. He is the tallest boy in his class.
→ No one in _____.
4. She sings better than anybody else in the class.
→ She is _____.
5. Munnar is prettier than most other hill stations in India.
→ Munnar is _____.
6. Mary thinks Melbourne is the most "liveable" city in Australia.
→ Mary thinks Melbourne _____.
7. Lifestyle in Malaysia is the same as Thailand.
→ Lifestyle in Malaysia is _____.
8. Beijing is much busier than Ho Chi Minh City.
→ Ho Chi Minh City is _____.

→ Ho Chi Minh City isn't _____

Exercise 7. Complete the sentences using double comparative form.

1. It becomes _____ to find a job. (hard)
2. That hole in your pullover is getting _____. (big)
3. As I waited for my interview, I became _____. (nervous)
4. As the day went on, the weather got _____. (bad)
5. As the conversation went on, he became _____. (talkative)

Exercise 8. Rewrite the following sentences so that their meanings stay the same beginning as shown.

1. As he grows older, he becomes increasingly cheerful.

The older _____

2. We sit near to the stage. We can see clearly.

The nearer _____

3. I feel miserable when it is hot.

The hotter _____

4. We live far from our house. We miss it very much.

The farther _____

5. As TV programs become more popular, they seem to get worse.

The more _____