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Grammar

Comparison

I can make comparisons.

1 Complete the table with the comparative forms.

Adjective	Comparative
Short adjectives	
tall	taller
large	larger
hot	hotter
early	earlier
Long adjectives	
powerful	more powerful
spectacular	more spectacular
Irregular adjectives	
good	better
bad	worse
far	farther
Quantifiers	
few	fewer
much / many	more
little	less

2 Complete the fact file. Use the comparative form of the words in brackets.

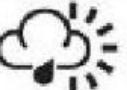
FACT FILE: COMETS AND ASTEROIDS

asteroid

comet

- ① Comets are made of ice and pieces of rock. Asteroids are made of rock and metal, and are ¹ _____ (heavy).
- ② Most comets are much ² _____ (big) than most asteroids.
- ③ You can find asteroids ³ _____ (close) to the sun than comets. If comets get too close to the sun, they melt. So you can only find comets much ⁴ _____ (far) from the sun, where it is ⁵ _____ (cold) and ice doesn't melt.
- ④ Comets are ⁶ _____ (bright) than asteroids because they have long, white tails.
- ⑤ Comets are ⁷ _____ (rare) than asteroids. There are hundreds of millions of asteroids in our solar system, but for ⁸ _____ (few) comets - only about 4,000. For this reason, asteroids are ⁹ _____ (dangerous), as one of them is ¹⁰ _____ (likely) to hit the Earth.

3 Compare the weather in the two cities. Write sentences with *as ... as* and *not as ... as*.

London	Edinburgh
	
15°C	15°C
	

1 Edinburgh isn't as sunny as London. (sunny)

2 _____ (warm)
3 _____ (cloudy)
4 _____ (bright)
5 _____ (wet)
6 _____ (windy)
7 _____ (dry)

4 Complete the sentences with *as*, *more*, *much* or *than*.

1 Mist isn't as thick _____ fog.
2 The weather today is _____ wetter _____ yesterday.
3 'Is a hurricane _____ powerful than a thunderstorm?' 'Yes, it's _____ stronger.'
4 The moon isn't _____ bright _____ the sun.
5 Are hurricanes more dangerous _____ tornadoes?
6 'I think maths is much _____ interesting _____ geography.'
'Do you? I don't think it's _____ interesting as geography, but it's _____ more useful.'



Superlative adjectives

1 Write the superlative form of the adjectives.

1 slow	the slowest	5 large	_____
2 bad	_____	6 expensive	_____
3 heavy	_____	7 late	_____
4 famous	_____	8 ugly	_____

2 Complete the sentences. Use the superlative form of adjectives in brackets.

- I think Russell Crowe is _____ actor in the world. (good)
- What's _____ animal in the world? (dangerous)
- Is this _____ city in Europe? (cold)
- We've got _____ classroom in the school. (big)
- Who's _____ student in the class? (intelligent)
- This is _____ day of the year. (hot)
- Who's _____ singer in your country? (popular)
- My brother is _____ person in our family. (noisy)

3 Write your opinions.

- interesting programme on TV
_____ is the most interesting programme on TV.
- beautiful actress in my country

- difficult subject in school

- funny programme on TV

- good football team in my country

- bad pop group in the world

- exciting sport in the world

CHALLENGE!

Write sentences using the superlative form of the adjectives.

1 rich

2 cheap

3 good

4 interesting

5 nice

4 Read the table. Complete with sentences using superlative adjectives.

4 Look at the table and write sentences. Use the comparative and superlative form of the adjectives in brackets.

1 the Yangtze: 6,380 km
the Amazon: 6,387 km
the Nile: 6,690 km



2 South America: 17,840,000 km²
North America: 24,490,000 km²
Africa: 30,370,000 km²



3 Kangchenjunga: 8,586 m
K2: 8,611 m
Everest: 8,848 m



4 The Atlantic Ocean: 4,830 km
The Indian Ocean: 10,000 km
The Pacific Ocean: 19,800 km



5 Madrid: 440 mm of rain
London: 585 mm of rain
Rome: 800 mm of rain



6 Mercury: 59 million km from the sun
Venus: 108 million km from the sun
the Earth: 152 million km from the sun



1 (long) The Amazon is longer than the Yangtze, but the Nile is the longest.

2 (big) _____

3 (high) _____

4 (wide) _____

5 (wet) _____

6 (far) _____