

Comparative Adjectives

1 Look at the way we compare things:



Excelsior Hotel
£100 per night



Plaza Hotel
£50 per night

The Plaza Hotel is **cheaper than** the Excelsior.
The Excelsior Hotel is **bigger than** the Plaza Hotel.

2 Cheaper and more expensive are comparative adjectives. We form them like this:

- Short adjectives (one syllable):

ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE
old	older
long	longer
nice	nicer
new	newer
slow	slower
fat	fatter
hot	hotter
big	bigger

- Adjectives one syllables ending consonant, vowel and consonant:

ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE
big	bigger
hot	hotter
thin	thinner

- Adjectives ending with -y:

happy	happier
hungry	hungrier

- Irregular adjectives

good	better
bad	worse
far	further

3 To compare things, we use a comparative adjective + than:



My sandwich is bigger than yours



Tom is **richer than** Paul.
My new car is **better than** my old one.

PRACTICE

A Write the comparative form of these adjectives.

0 cold		13 long	
1 big		14 hungry	
2 good		15 nice	
3 fat		16 happy	
4 new		17 tall	
5 modern		18 old	
6 young		19 great	
7 cheap		20 friendly	
8 cold		21 hot	
9 big		22 large	
10 good		23 bad	
11 far		24 small	
12 modern		25 cheap	