

Structures for comparatives

I. Superiority Comparatives

- One syllable or two (finishing in vowel):
adjective + er than
- Two syllables (finishing in consonant) or more:
more + adjective + than

Equality comparatives: **as+adjective+as**

Inferiority comparatives: **less + adjective + than**

I. Write the comparative:

Ex.: small – smaller

- a) clean _____
- b) intelligent _____
- c) old _____
- d) dark _____
- e) bad _____
- f) large _____
- g) narrow _____
- h) new _____
- i) easy _____
- j) funny _____

II. Create superiority comparatives using the adjectives between brackets:

- a) Is that your car? Is it _____ mine?
(expensive)
- b) Cali isn't _____ Bogotá. It's the opposite way
(big)
- c) Get me a house _____ this.
(comfortable)
- d) Do you need a husband _____ me? (cute)
- e) I was _____ the entire class (fast)

III. Create equality comparatives using the adjectives between brackets:

- a) Your blood is _____ ice (cold)
- b) I have a girlfriend who is _____ a goat (crazy)
- c) Ibaguá is _____ a third class burial (boring)
- d) A MiG-25R was _____ an SR-71 (fast)
- e) If you don't listen to me, you'll be _____
your boss (stupid)

IV. Create inferiority comparatives using the adjectives between brackets:

- a) He was _____ she thought (rich)
- b) I actually need a car _____ this one (fast)

- c) They said he was stupid, but he's _____ they think.
- d) Do you think it's _____ a math test?
Dream on! (complicated)
- e) This motorcycle is _____ yours (noisy)

V. Complete the sentences using a comparative:

Ej. My flat isn't very big. - I want a bigger flat.

- a) My motorbike isn't very fast. I'd like _____.
- b) My husband isn't very rich. I need _____.
- c) Your computer is getting old now. You need _____.
- d) His camera isn't very good. He needs _____.
- e) It isn't very hot today. It was _____ yesterday.
- f) I'm not very interested in football. I'm _____ in tennis.

VI. Write sentences that mean the same, using 'as.....as'.

Ej. A Porsche is faster than a Skoda. - A Skoda isn't as fast as a Porsche.

- a) Football is more popular than cricket in Spain. Cricket isn't _____.
- b) I work harder than you. _____.
- c) My car's newer than yours. _____.
- d) His watch is more expensive than hers. _____.
- e) Your flat's nicer than ours. _____.
- f) Paris is colder than Casablanca. _____.