

COMPARATIVE 1

Read and complete the ideas with the comparative form of the verbs.

- 1 **small** Spain is than France.
(True. Spain is 505,000 square kilometres and France is 547,000.)
- 2 **cold** Alaska is than Greenland.
(False. The minimum temperature in Alaska is -62 degrees Celsius, but in Greenland it can be -66 Celsius.)
- 3 **old** Oxford University is than Cambridge University.
(True. Oxford University was founded in about 1170 and Cambridge 40 years later, in 1209.)
- 4 **short** The English alphabet is than the Arabic alphabet.
(True. There are 26 letters in the English alphabet and 28 in the Arabic alphabet.)
- 5 **expensive** Taxis in Tokyo are than taxis in New York.
(True. A 3km trip in Tokyo costs approximately \$16, but in New York it costs \$12.)
- 6 **dry** The Sahara Desert is than the Atacama Desert.
(False. In the Sahara Desert the average rainfall is 25mm and in the Atacama Desert it's 0.1 mm.)
- 7 **far** New Zealand is south than Australia.
(True. It's about 2,000km south-east of Australia.)
- 8 **hot** The Earth is than the moon.
(False. The temperature of the moon during the day can be 123 degrees Celsius, but the maximum temperature of the Earth is about 60 degrees Celsius.)