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Grammar

Comparison

I can make comparisons.

1 Complete the table with the comparative forms.

Adjective	Comparative
Short adjectives	
tall	1
large	2
hot	3
early	4
Long adjectives	
powerful	5
spectacular	6
Irregular adjectives	
good	7
bad	8
far	9
Quantifiers	
few	10
much / many	11
little	12

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





FACT FILE: COMETS AND ASTEROIDS

asteroid

comet

- Comets are made of ice and pieces of rock. Asteroids are made of rock and metal, and are ¹_____ (heavy).
- Most comets are much ²_____ (big) than most asteroids.
- 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.
- Comets are ⁶_____ (bright) than asteroids because they have long, white tails.
- Comets are ⁷_____ (rare) than asteroids. There are hundreds of millions of asteroids in our solar system, but far 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.'