

COMPARING STORES

Sofia thinks the Adidas T-shirt is **cheaper than** the Nike T-shirt. However, she thinks the Nike T-shirt **is nicer**. The Nike T-shirt **is also more comfortable** than the Adidas T-shirt. The Adidas sneakers **are cheaper than** the Nike sneakers, but the Nike sneakers **are more beautiful**. Sofia likes both stores, but she prefers Adidas because its products are **less expensive**.

3. Grammar Explanation: Comparatives

We use comparative adjectives to compare two people, places, animals, or things.

A. Short adjectives (one syllable)

Add -er + than to the adjective.

Adjective	Comparative
Cheap	Cheaper than
Nice	Nicer than
Small	Smaller than
Tall	Taller than
Fast	Faster than
Light	Lighter than

Spelling rules:

- Adjectives ending in -e: add -r. (Nice → Nicer)
- Adjectives ending in consonant + y: change y to -ier. (Happy → Happier)
- Some short adjectives double the final consonant. (Big → Bigger)

B. Long adjectives (two or more syllables)

Use more + adjective + than.

Adjective	Comparative
Expensive	More expensive than
Comfortable	More comfortable than
Beautiful	More beautiful than
Attractive	More attractive than
Popular	More popular than

C. Sentence structure

Subject + verb + comparative + than + noun

- Adidas is cheaper than Nike.
- Nike sneakers are more beautiful than Adidas sneakers.
- This T-shirt is nicer than that T-shirt.

Remember: We use than to introduce the second thing we compare.

Exercise 1. Complete the sentences

Complete the sentences using the comparative form of the adjectives in parentheses.

1. Adidas is _____ (cheap) than Nike.
2. The Nike T-shirt is _____ (nice) than the Adidas T-shirt.
3. These sneakers are _____ (expensive) than those sneakers.
4. The red sneakers are _____ (beautiful) than the blue sneakers.
5. This T-shirt is _____ (small) than that T-shirt.
6. Nike sneakers are _____ (light) than my old shoes.
7. This store is _____ (popular) than the other store.
8. The black T-shirt is _____ (comfortable) than the white T-shirt.

Exercise 2. Choose the correct option

9. Adidas is (cheaper / more cheap) than Nike.
10. These shoes are (more expensive / expensiver) than those shoes.
11. The blue jacket is (nicer / more nice) than the red jacket.
12. This store is (more popular / popularer) than that store.
13. My new T-shirt is (bigger / more big) than my old T-shirt.
14. These sneakers are (more comfortable / comfortabler) than those sneakers.

Exercise 3. Complete the comparisons

Use the information in the table to write comparative sentences.

Product	Store A	Store B
T-shirt	\$20	\$35
Jacket	\$60	\$80
Sneakers	\$90	\$75
Backpack	\$40	\$30

Use the adjectives in parentheses.

15. Store A's T-shirt is _____ (cheap) than Store B's T-shirt.
16. Store B's jacket is _____ (expensive) than Store A's jacket.
17. Store B's sneakers are _____ (cheap) than Store A's sneakers.
18. Store A's backpack is _____ (expensive) than Store B's backpack.

Exercise 4. Find and correct the mistakes

Rewrite the sentences correctly.

19. Nike is more cheap than Adidas.
20. These shoes are expensiver than those shoes.
21. This T-shirt is more nicer than that one.
22. My backpack is more big than yours.
23. This store is popularer than the other store.