

Exercise on how to make comparatives of equality in English.

A. Write the comparison of equality for the sentences below. Use the words in brackets (). Do not use contracted forms.

Example

John is 32 years old. Dave is 32 years old. (is / old)

John is as old as John.

1) John is 1 metre 80cms tall. Dave is 1 metre 80cms tall. (is / tall)

John _____ Dave.

2) Seville is 40°C in summer. Cordova is 40°C in summer. (is / hot)

Seville _____ Cordova.

3) John is very clever. Mary is very clever, too. (is / clever)

John _____ Mary.

4) The brown house is 100 years old. The green house is 100 years old. (is / old)

The brown house _____ the green house.

5) The first exam was difficult. The second exam was difficult too. (was / difficult)

The first exam _____ the second exam.

B. Complete with the comparative AS ... AS or NOT AS ... AS and the adjective in parenthesis.

1. The blue car is _____ the red car. (fast)

2. Peter is _____ Fred. (not/tall)

3. The violin is _____ the cello. (not/low)

4. This copy is _____ the other one. (*bad*)
5. Oliver is _____ Peter. (*optimistic*)
6. Today it's _____ yesterday. (*not/windy*)
7. The tomato soup was _____ the mushroom soup. (*delicious*)
8. Grapefruit juice is _____ lemonade. (*not/sweet*)
9. Nick is _____ Kevin. (*brave*)
10. Silver is _____ gold. (*not/heavy*)

C. Decide if the statements with *as...as* are true or false.

Example: The moon isn't as far as the sun.

1. Buses aren't usually as comfortable as trains. _____
2. Monkeys aren't as dangerous as tigers. _____
3. Ten dollars isn't as much as twenty dollars. _____
4. Beer is as expensive as champagne. _____
5. Bogotá is as big as New York. _____