

LESSON

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ADJECTIVES — COMPARATIVE DEGREE, WORDS ENDING IN '-ER'

When we **compare TWO** people, places or things using an **adjective**, we can add **'-er'** to **most one-syllable adjectives** and add the word **'than'** after it.

Examples

Jane is **shorter than** Judy.

The marble is **smaller than** the football.

Andrew's work is **neater than** Raymond's.

The ruler is **longer than** the pencil.

The dictionary is **thicker than** the book.

The mountain is **higher than** the hill.

Kelly is **taller than** her brother.

For some adjectives, we need to double the final consonant (last letter) before adding **'-er'** and **'than'**.

Examples

The elephant is **bigger than** the deer.

The book is **thinner than** the magazine.

EXAMPLE

A giraffe is taller than a donkey. (tall)

- ① A papaya is _____ than a lemon. (sweet)
- ② A lane is _____ than a road. (narrow)
- ③ This end of the pool is _____ than that end. (deep)
- ④ Sheila's handwriting is _____ than Henry's. (neat)
- ⑤ His shoes are _____ than mine. (dirty)
- ⑥ A mountain is _____ than a hill. (high)
- ⑦ A lorry is _____ than a van. (big)
- ⑧ A jungle is _____ than a forest. (thick)
- ⑨ A stream is _____ than a river. (shallow)
- ⑩ The television set is _____ than the radio. (loud)