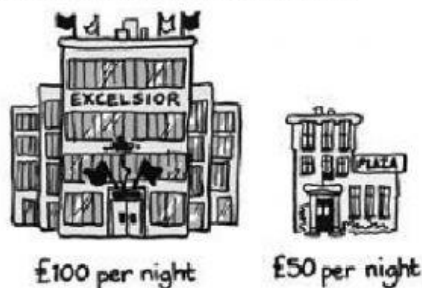




Comparative adjectives

1 Look at the way we compare things:



The Plaza Hotel is **cheaper** than the Excelsior.
 The Excelsior Hotel is **bigger** than the Plaza.
 The Excelsior is **more expensive** than the Plaza.
 The Plaza Hotel is **smaller** than the Excelsior.

◆ long adjectives (two syllables or more):

ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE
famous	more famous
difficult	more difficult
careful	more careful
expensive	more expensive

◆ adjectives ending with -y:

happy	happier
hungry	hungrier

◆ irregular adjectives:

good	better
bad	worse

2 Cheaper and more expensive are comparative adjectives. We form them like this:

◆ short adjectives (one syllable):

ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE
old	older
long	longer
nice	nicer
new	newer
slow	slower
fat	fatter
hot	hotter
big	bigger

3 To compare things, we use a comparative adjective + **than**:

Tom is **richer** than Paul.
 Paris is **more beautiful** than London.
 My new car is **better** than my old one.

A Write the comparative form of these adjectives.

- ◆ cold colder
- 1 big _____
- 2 careful _____
- 3 expensive _____
- 4 good _____
- 5 fat _____
- 6 famous _____
- 7 new _____
- 8 modern _____
- 9 young _____
- 10 cheap _____
- 11 delicious _____
- 12 rich _____

- 13 long _____
- 14 hungry _____
- 15 nice _____
- 16 happy _____
- 17 difficult _____
- 18 old _____
- 19 beautiful _____
- 20 friendly _____
- 21 hot _____
- 22 wonderful _____
- 23 bad _____
- 24 small _____
- 25 sad _____





B Write comparative sentences about the pictures using *than* and the words in brackets (). Use the Present Simple.



Ex (tall)

Tom is **taller than** Sam.

1 (cold)

2 (hungry)

3 (small)

4 (happy)

5 (young)

6 (rich)

7 (friendly)

C. Write the adjective in brackets in the Comparative form. Each item .

1. John Lennon was (OLD) _____ Paul McCartney.
2. Ecuador is (SMALL) _____ Brazil.
3. Cats are (NICE) _____ dogs.
4. Cartoons are (GOOD) _____ music programmes.
5. The Empire State is (FAMOUS) _____ the Chrysler Building.
6. Lima is (POPULOUS) _____ Buenos Aires.