

## COMPARING OUR SUPERHEROES

Now that you are almost an expert on superheroes, try to build these comparatives and superlatives about them.

First read the tables where you can see their powergrid in order to compare them:

### SUPERMAN



1. Intelligence: 5
2. Strength: 7
3. Durability: 7
4. Speed: 7
5. Energy projection: 6
6. Fighting skills: 4

### IRONMAN



1. Intelligence: 9
2. Strength: 5
3. Durability: 4
4. Speed: 7
5. Energy projection: 6
6. Fighting skills: 6

These are the adjectives you should use to build the sentences:

enduring      intelligent      strong  
fast      tough      energetic

Superman is \_\_\_\_\_ than Ironman.

Ironman is as \_\_\_\_\_ as Superman.

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Superman is as \_\_\_\_\_ as Ironman.

### THE COMPARATIVE RULES:

Adjectives of 1 syllable: **-er + than** → I am stronger than you think.

Adjectives of 1 syllable **ending with -e: -r + than** → This exercise.

Adjectives of 1 syllable **ending with vowel + consonant: -er + than** (but the consonant is doubled)

#### Adjectives of 2 syllables:

Adjectives of 2 syllables or more: **more + adj + than** → This app is **more** practical **than** that.

Adjectives of 2 syllables **ending with -y: -ier + than** → This actress is **prettier** **than** Angelina Jolie.

Adjectives of 2 syllables **ending with -er: -er + than** → My cousin Laura is **cleverer** **than** me.

#### IRREGULAR ADJECTIVES:

good → better      little → less      far → further  
bad → worse      ill → worse      old → elder

#### COMPARATIVE OF EQUALITY:

as + adj + as → He is as old as me.

not as + adj + as → My father is not as old as my uncle.

not so + adj + as → The meals were not so bad as they were before.