

## COMPARATIVES & SUPERLATIVE – NOUNS PHRASE

### Task 1. Choose the correct word to complete the sentences below.

1. I was surprised to see so \_\_\_\_\_ people on the bus this morning.

- ? few
- ? fewer
- ? less
- ? least

2. If you want to lose weight, you should eat \_\_\_\_\_ junk food.

- ? fewer
- ? less
- ? little
- ? few

3. There is \_\_\_\_\_ milk left for the children. We'll have to buy some.

- ? few
- ? fewer
- ? little
- ? less

4. Our school has the \_\_\_\_\_ failures in the region.

- ? fewer
- ? fewest
- ? less
- ? least

5. I buy \_\_\_\_\_ meat than before because it's too expensive.

- ? few
- ? fewer
- ? little
- ? less

6. There are \_\_\_\_\_ pupils in our class than last year.

- ? few
- ? fewer

? less

? least

7. In our family Tony eats the \_\_\_\_\_ cheese.

? fewer

? fewest

? less

? least

8. I'm sure apples contain \_\_\_\_\_ sugar than cookies.

? few

? fewer

? little

? less

**Task 2. Using “fewer” and “less” for comparisons; using “fewest” and “least” as superlatives.**

1. There were \_\_\_\_\_ men at the party than women.

2. I have \_\_\_\_\_ time to do things this year than last year.

3. Their company had the \_\_\_\_\_ violations within their industry.

4. We need \_\_\_\_\_ help this week compared to last week.

5. George worked \_\_\_\_\_ than 30 hours this week.

6. Many Americans are choosing to have \_\_\_\_\_ children because of the economy.

7. Don't mention it. It was the \_\_\_\_\_ I could do.

8. They made \_\_\_\_\_ money this year than last year.

9. I hope you are making \_\_\_\_\_ mistakes with your English since you started coming to this website.

10. Compared to other years, the hospital recorded the \_\_\_\_\_ number of deaths related to gunshot wounds.

11. There's \_\_\_\_\_ daylight in the winter than in the summer.

12. There are \_\_\_\_\_ hours of darkness in the summer than in the winter.

13. This recipe uses the \_\_\_\_\_ oil.

14. \_\_\_\_\_ people want to go into that profession these days.

15. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ customers are buying those products.

16. We're using \_\_\_\_\_ water now after installing water-saving toilets.

17. This is the \_\_\_\_\_ of my worries.

18. We received the \_\_\_\_\_ new applications this year compared to all the other years we have been in business.

19. He has \_\_\_\_\_ opportunities to find a job without a college degree.

20. You should use \_\_\_\_\_ butter in this cookie recipe than the recipe calls for.

21. There's \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ work available for people who need jobs.

22. She spent \_\_\_\_\_ time this month practicing her violin which resulted in some poor performances.

23. Of all the houses we saw, I liked that one the \_\_\_\_\_.

24. I've noticed \_\_\_\_\_ mosquitoes this year compared to last year.

25. They have the \_\_\_\_\_ new members compared to the other groups.

26. Our teacher gave us \_\_\_\_\_ homework today than yesterday.

27. I've owned many good cars during my lifetime. This one has given me the \_\_\_\_\_ trouble.

28. During the week, we see the \_\_\_\_\_ students on Thursday.

29. It would be \_\_\_\_\_ of a hassle if you could just take care of the situation yourself.

30. They have \_\_\_\_\_ financial problems this year because their father found a new job that pays well.