

The Comparative Form of Adjectives and Adverbs:

Practice Exercise

Comparative Form of Adjectives and Adverbs (When comparing 2: persons, things, ideas, situations, or animals):

- Add **-er** at the end of one-syllable and some two-syllable adjectives or adverbs:

*hot – hott**er**

happy - happier**

*double the last consonant when preceded by vowel

**change the ending -'y' for 'i' then add '-er'

- Add '**more**' before some two-syllable and three or more syllables adjectives/adverbs. For example:

quickly – **more** quickly

difficult – **more** difficult

⇒ In sentences, we usually add the word '**than**' after the comparative form of the adjective or adverb. Example:

-He is **taller than** his brother.

-She drives **more carefully than** her husband.

⇒ Some adjectives and adverbs have an irregular comparative forms:

<u>Adjective/Adverb</u>	<u>Comparative Form</u>
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good -	better
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well -	better
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far -	farther/further
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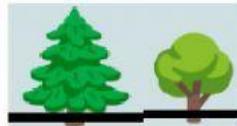
little -	less
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<u>Adjective/Adverb</u>	<u>Comparative Form</u>
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bad -	worse
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badly -	worse
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much -	more
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The pine tree is **taller than** the apple tree.

Complete the sentences by selecting the correct **comparative form** of the adjective or adverb in parentheses.

1. Those shoes are **prettier than** these ones. (pretty)
2. Marissa is **_____** I am. (young)
3. Texas is **_____** Arizona. (big)
4. He is much **_____** I expected. (old)
5. This ESL textbook is **_____** the one we studied before. (good)
6. Roses are **_____** carnations. (attractive)
7. The temperature this winter is **_____** last winter's temperature. (cold)
8. Cooking is **_____** sewing. (easy)
9. This old couch is **_____** the new one. (comfortable)
10. The little brother works **_____** (hard) his **_____** brother (old).
11. During the volleyball game, the mothers seemed to be **_____** their daughters. (energetic)
12. Dogs are **_____** cats. (smart).
13. These jeans are **_____** the t-shirts. (cheap).
14. Apartments' rentals in Brooklyn are **_____** rentals in The Bronx. (expensive)
15. The food tastes **_____** this time. (good)
16. Planes fly **_____** birds. (high)
17. Dr. Rani's office is **_____** down the block. (far)
18. Nashla gets to school **_____** her sister Rosemary. (early)
19. That dress is **_____** this one. (beautiful)
20. Frankie's pitch this season was **_____** last season's. (bad)

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