Silver English Coach

Comparatives 2

1.

Complete the sentences using a comparative form (older / more important etc.).

1 This restaurant is very expensive. Let's go somewhere cheaper.
2 This coffee is very weak. I like it .....
3 The town was surprisingly big. I expected it to be .....
4 The hotel was surprisingly cheap. I expected it to be .....
5 The weather is too cold here. I'd like to live somewhere .....
6 Sometimes my job is a bit boring. I'd like to do something .....
7 It's a shame you live so far away. I wish you lived .....
8 It was quite easy to find a place to live. I thought it would be .....
9 Your work isn't very good. I'm sure you can do .....
10 Don't worry. The situation isn't so bad. It could be .....
11 You hardly ever call me. Why don't you call me .....?
12 You're too near the camera. Can you move a bit ..... away?

Complete the sentences. Use the comparative forms of the words in the box. Use than where necessary.

big	early	high	important	interested	peaceful	reliable	serious	slowly	thin

1 I was feeling tired last night, so I went to bed earlier than usual.
2 I'd like to have a more reliable car. The one I have keeps breaking down.
3 Unfortunately the problem was ..... we thought at first.
4 You look ..... Have you lost weight?
5 We don't have enough space here. We need a ..... apartment.
6 James doesn't study very hard. He's ..... in having a good time.
7 Health and happiness are ..... money.
8 I like living in the country. It's ..... living in a town.
9 I'm sorry I don't understand. Can you speak ....., please?
10 In some parts of the country, prices are ..... in others.

2.

Complete the sentences. Choose from:

than	more	worse	quietly	longer	better	careful	frequent

1 Getting a visa was complicated. It took longer than I expected.
2 Sorry about my mistake. I'll try and be more ..... in future.
3 Your English has improved. It's ..... than it was.
4 You can travel by bus or by train. The buses are more ..... than the trains.
5 You can't always have things immediately. You have to be ..... patient.
6 I'm a pessimist. I always think things are going to get ..... .
7 We were busier ....., usual in the office today. It's not usually so busy.
8 You're talking very loudly. Can you speak more .....?

Read the situations and complete the sentences. Use a comparative form (-er or more ...).

1 Yesterday the temperature was six degrees. Today it's only three degrees.
It's colder today than it was yesterday.
2 Dan and I went for a run. I ran ten kilometres. Dan stopped after eight kilometres.
I ran ..... Dan.
3 The journey takes four hours by car and five hours by train.
The journey takes ..... train ..... car.
4 I expected my friends to arrive at about 4 o'clock. In fact they arrived at 2.30.
My friends ..... I expected.
5 There is always a lot of traffic here, but today the traffic is really bad.
The traffic today ..... usual.

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3.

Use the words in brackets to complete the sentences. Use much / a bit etc. + a comparative form. Use than where necessary.

1 The problem is much more serious than we thought at first. (much / serious)
2 This bag is too small. I need something ..... (much / big)
3 I liked the museum. It was ..... I expected. (a lot / interesting)
4 It was very hot yesterday. Today it's ..... (a little / cool)
5 I'm afraid the problem is ..... it seems. (far / complicated)
6 You're driving too fast. Can you drive ..... ? (a bit / slowly)
7 I thought he was younger than me, but in fact he's ..... (slightly / old)

Complete the sentences using any/no + comparative. Use than where necessary.

1 I've waited long enough. I'm not waiting any longer .
2 I'm sorry I'm a bit late, but I couldn't get here .....
3 This shop isn't expensive. The prices are ..... anywhere else.
4 I need to stop for a rest. I can't walk .....
5 The traffic isn't especially bad today. It's ..... usual.

Complete the sentences using ... and ... (see Section C).

1 It's getting more and more difficult to find a job. (difficult)
2 That hole in your sweater is getting ..... (big)
3 I waited for my interview and became ..... (nervous)
4 As the day went on, the weather got ..... (bad)
5 Health care is becoming ..... (expensive)
6 Since Anna went to Canada, her English has got ..... (good)
7 These days I travel a lot. I'm spending ..... away from home. (time)

4.

Complete the sentences using the ... the ... .

1 You learn things more easily when you're young.
The younger you are , the easier it is to learn.
2 It's hard to concentrate when you're tired.
The more tired you are, the .....
3 We should decide what to do as soon as possible.
The ....., the better.
4 I know more, but I understand less.
The ....., the less I understand.
5 If you use more electricity, your bill will be higher.
The more electricity you use, ...
6 Kate had to wait a long time and became more and more impatient.
The ....., the more .....

Use the words on the right to complete the sentences.

1 I like to travel light. The less luggage, the better.
2 The problem is getting ..... and more serious.
3 The more time I have, the ..... it takes me to do things.
4 I'm walking as fast as I can. I can't walk ..... faster.
5 The higher your income, ... more tax you have to pay.
6 I'm surprised Anna is only 25. I thought she was .....
7 Jane's ..... sister is a nurse.
8 I was a little late. The journey took ..... longer than I expected.
9 Applications for the job must be received ..... later than 15 April.
10 Don't tell him anything. The ..... he knows, the .....

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5.

Complete the sentences using as ... as.

1 I'm tall, but you are taller. I'm not as tall as you.
2 My salary is high, but yours is higher. My salary isn't .....
3 You know a bit about cars, but I know more.
You don't .....
4 We are busy today, but we were busier yesterday.
We aren't .....
5 I still feel bad, but I felt a lot worse earlier.
I don't .....
6 Our neighbours have lived here for quite a long time, but we've lived here longer.
Our neighbours haven't .....
7 I was a little nervous before the interview, but usually I'm a lot more nervous.
I wasn't .....

Write a new sentence with the same meaning.

1 Jack is younger than he looks. Jack isn't as old as he looks.
2 I didn't spend as much money as you. You spent more money than me.
3 The station was nearer than I thought. The station wasn't .....
4 The meal didn't cost as much as I expected. The meal cost .....
5 I watch TV less than I used to. I don't .....
6 Karen's hair isn't as long as it used to be. Karen used to .....
7 I know them better than you do. You don't .....
8 There are fewer students in this class than in the other one.
There aren't .....

6.

Complete the sentences using as ... as. Choose from:

fast hard long often quietly soon well

1 I'm sorry I'm late. I got here as fast as I could.
2 It was a difficult question. I answered it ..... I could.
3 'How long can I stay with you?' 'You can stay ..... you like.'
4 I need the information quickly, so let me know ..... possible.
5 I like to keep fit, so I go swimming ..... I can.
6 I didn't want to wake anybody, so I came in ..... I could.
7 You always say how tiring your job is, but I work just ..... you.

Write sentences using the same as.

1 David and James are both 22 years old. David is the same age as James.
2 You and I both have dark brown hair. Your hair ..... mine.
3 I arrived at 10.25 and so did you. I arrived ..... you.
4 My birthday is 5 April. It's Tom's birthday too. My birthday ..... Tom's.

Complete the sentences. Choose from:

as him is less me much soon than twice

1 I'll let you know as soon as I have any more news.
2 My friends arrived earlier ..... I expected.
3 I live in the same street ..... Katherine. We're neighbours.
4 He doesn't know much. I know more than .....
5 This morning there was ..... traffic than usual.
6 I don't watch TV as ..... as I used to.
7 Your bag is quite light. Mine is ..... as heavy as yours.
8 We were born in the same year. I'm a little older than she .....
9 I was really surprised. Nobody was more surprised than .....

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