

# COMPARATIVE ADJECTIVES

Read the examples and the explanations:

I'm **older** **than** my brother Tim, but  
he's **bigger** **than** me.

I think he's **funnier** and **more**  
**intelligent** **than** me. But his spelling's  
**worse** **than** mine.



**spelling** = the ability to write words with the correct letters in the correct order.

**Remember!!!**

We use comparative adjectives to compare two people or things.

- For short adjectives, we add **-er** (*than*). Be careful of the spelling:  
*old* → *older* (*than*)    *big* → *bigger* (*than*)    *pretty* → *prettier* (*than*)
- For long adjectives, we use **more** (*than*):  
*careful* → **more** *careful* (*than*)    *intelligent* → **more** *intelligent* (*than*)
- These comparative adjectives are irregular:  
*good* → *better* (*than*)    *bad* → *worse* (*than*)

**A) Complete the sentences. Use the comparative.**

- My brother's ..... *taller* ..... than me. (tall)
- Is Sarah ..... than you? (young)
- Pink's a ..... colour for a bedroom than orange. (pretty)
- My sister's got ..... hair than me. (dark)
- Languages are ..... than Science. (easy)
- Their house is ..... than our house. (big)
- Don't worry about flying. Planes are ..... than cars. (safe)
- Simon's story's ..... than yours. (funny)
- Your idea's ..... than mine. (good)

**B) Complete the sentences. Use the comparative.**

- o These old buildings are *more attractive* than the modern ones. (attractive)



- 1 Mountain climbing's ..... than skiing. (exciting)



- 2 My trainers are ..... than these shoes. (comfortable)



- 3 The red dress is ..... than the black one. (expensive)



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- 4 Are computers ..... than people? (intelligent)  
5 This story's ..... than that one. (interesting)  
6 The second exercise is ..... than the first one. (difficult)  
7 Sharks are ..... than dolphins. (dangerous)  
8 Volleyball's ..... than basketball at my school. (popular)