

5B GRAMMAR advanced structures for comparing and contrasting

a Complete the sentences and paragraphs with a phrase using the words in brackets.

- 1 Information and communication technology is significantly more advanced (significant / advanced) than it was as recently as ten years ago.
- 2 Locally sourced food should be _____ (vast / cheap) than imported food, but in reality local food can sometimes be _____ (considerable / expensive).
- 3 Russia is _____ (by far / big) country on earth. No other country is _____ (anywhere / big). Canada is _____ (next / big) and is _____ (marginal / big) than both China and the USA. China is actually _____ (slight / big) than Canada in terms of land area, but Canada has _____ (much / great) area of water bodies, such as lakes and rivers. Despite being _____ (second / large) country in the world, the area of Canada is only just over _____ (half / that) Russia.
- 4 Even though the restaurant was _____ (nothing / fancy) I'd expected, the food was _____ (far / away / best) I've had in a long time. In fact, to be honest, it was _____ (every / good) anything I've ever had.
- 5 I've heard people say that learning Polish is _____ (no / difficult) than learning French or German. Well, I have to say I found my attempt at learning it _____ (ten / difficult). Having said that, _____ (long) I studied the grammar, _____ (easy) it got.