



GRADE 7 UNIT 4 | WONDERFUL WORLD

GRAMMAR

Comparative Adjectives

Comparatives

We can compare two things with comparative adjectives.
 This classroom is **smaller** than that one.
 The museum is **old**, but the theatre is **older**.
 My bag's **heavy**, but yours is **heavier**.
 Is this table **bigger** than that one?
 The theme park is **more exciting** than the museum.
 Our new flat is **better** than our old flat.
 This holiday is **worse** than last year's holiday.

Grammar reference page 16

We use comparative adjectives to compare two things.
 We use **than** before the second thing.
 The Great Pyramid is **taller** than the Statue of Liberty.
 The Colosseum is **bigger** than other stadiums.
 Dubai is **more modern** than Madrid.

	Adjective	Comparative
One syllable adjective	old	add-er older
One syllable ending in -e	nice	add-r nicer
One syllable adjective ending in a consonant vowel consonant	hot	double last consonant and add-er hotter
Two syllables ending in -y	happy	remove the -y and add-er happier
Two or more syllables	boring	more + adjective more boring
Common exceptions	good bad far	better worse further

A. Complete the quiz with the correct comparative form of the adjective in brackets. (8 marks)

Round-the-world QUIZ

1 Is the Mississippi river [long] than the Amazon river? (long)
 2 Are the Himalayas [high] than the Andes mountains? (high)
 3 Is Turkey [big] than Russia? (big)
 4 Is your language [difficult] than English? (difficult)
 5 Is the Latin alphabet [modern] than the Greek alphabet? (modern)
 6 Is Australia [near] to the South Pole than Chile? (near)
 7 Is Mexico [hot] than Libya? (hot)
 8 Is Antarctica [dry] than the Sahara Desert? (dry)

B. Choose the correct order of words in the comparative form of adjectives. (6 marks)

- 1 my primary school / **big** / my secondary school
- 2 the person next to me / **tall** / my teacher
- 3 my country / **beautiful** / Australia
- 4 the Tower of London / **famous** / the Colosseum in Rome
- 5 my hair / **long** / my best friend's hair
- 6 British food / **good** / food in my country

C. Write questions with **which** to compare things. (6 marks)

- 1 **food** **Which** food is nicer, pizza or spaghetti?
- 1 **free time activity** **Which** is **interesting**, riding a bike or swimming?
- 2 **school subject** **Which** is **easy**, Art or Science?
- 3 **special day** **Which** is **exciting**, birthdays or National holidays?