

"COMPARATIVE ADJECTIVES"

Structure:

Subject + Verb to be + Comparative Adjective + THAN + Object

EXAMPLE:

The cat is smaller than the lion.



What are the comparative adjectives?

Comparative adjectives are adjectives used to compare two people or things. We use them to say that one person or object has a higher degree of a quality than the other.

Examples: taller, smaller, smarter, brighter, cheaper.



How are they formed?

Depending on the number of syllables that the adjective has:

One-syllable words:

We add "er" or "r" at the end of the adjective and "than" after.

- ✦ Tall → Taller
- ✦ Safe → Safer
- ✦ Big → Bigger
- ✦ Old → Older
- ✦ Cheap → Cheaper
- ✦ Cold → Colder

Two or more-syllable words:

We add "more" before the adjective and "than" after.

- ✦ Expensive → More expensive
- ✦ Dangerous → More dangerous
- ✦ Terrible → More terrible

Complete the sentences using the comparative form of each adjective.

The whale is _____
(big) than the fish.

The blue house is _____
(bright) than the green one.

My English class is _____
(interesting) than my Science class.

London is _____
(busy) than Glasgow.

Marie is _____
(quiet) than her sister Sophie.

Grandma's house is _____
(comfortable) than a hotel.

My garden is _____
(colorful) than this park.

This cellphone was _____
(expensive) than my last one.

Read the list of adjectives and complete the boxes with their corresponding comparative form.

- ✦ Clean _____
- ✦ Expensive _____
- ✦ Large _____
- ✦ Slow _____
- ✦ Beautiful _____
- ✦ Tall _____
- ✦ Intelligent _____
- ✦ Happy _____
- Cute _____
- Hot _____
- Good _____