2B Grammar

Comparison

I can make comparisons.

1 Complete the sentences with the comparative or superlative form of the adverb in brackets.

1 Who works _____ (hard) out of all the students in the class?
2 There isn't much traffic today, so we should arrive _____ (soon) than we expected.
3 If you ate _____ (slowly), you'd enjoy your food more!
4 The Swiss tennis player performed _____ (well) than his opponent and won the tournament.
5 Erik did _____ (badly) than I did in this month's test.
6 The world's population is growing _____ (fast) today than at any point in history.
7 My grandparents' house isn't far, but my aunt lives _____ (near) of all my family.

2 Match the two halves of the comparative sentences.

1 He's far more handsome in real life	a the colder it will be.
2 The harder you work,	b than I'd wanted to.
3 I spent more this week	c the cheaper the tickets will be.
4 The later you leave tonight,	d than on TV.
5 The sooner we book,	e than it looks.
6 This ice cream is less tasty	f the more we feed it!
7 Our cat's getting bigger and bigger	g the better you'll do.

3 Write the words in the correct order to make comparative sentences.

1 that / one / than / is / This / expensive / cap / more / slightly
_____
2 will / than / much / a / taxi / longer / take / The bus
_____
3 do / far / than / My / scarier / I / finds / brother / spiders
_____
4 lot / cycling / energetic / Walking / is / than / less / a
_____
5 little / planned / Her / than / a / she'd / shopping / took / longer
_____
6 today / even / be / tomorrow / hotter / Apparently / will / than / !
_____
7 news / you / surprised / I / the / less / than / was / no / at
_____

4 Choose the correct answers (a–c) to complete the sentences.

1 A quarter is ___ much as 25%.
a nowhere near as b almost as c just as
2 A second is ___ long as a minute.
a not quite as b nothing like as c nearly as
3 Eleven forty-five p.m. is ___ late as midnight.
a nearly as b nowhere near as c just as
4 Ninety-eight cents is ___ much as a euro.
a just as b not quite as c nothing like as
5 Spain is ___ cold as Iceland.
a nearly as b almost as c nowhere near as
6 The UK is ___ big as Russia.
a almost as b nothing like as c not quite as

5 Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first.

1 That was the worst holiday I'd ever had!
I'd never had a holiday as _____ one!
2 If we walk fast, we'll get there quicker.
The _____ we'll get there.
3 Fast food used to be less healthy.
Fast food is _____ used to be.
4 My jacket is nothing like as comfortable as yours.
Your jacket is far _____ mine.
5 Your brother is the same age as me.
Your brother is just _____ I am.
6 Indian food is far spicier than English food.
English food is nothing _____ Indian food.

6 Complete the text with the words below.

as far fewer like more nowhere than the

Thanks to some films and TV shows, and certain types of music, many people still regard big cities in the USA as violent and crime-filled. However, recent reports show that they're [1]_____ near as dangerous as some people believe. Statistics for violent crime are nothing [2]_____ as bad as they were in the 1990s; the chance of being robbed or murdered is much lower [3]_____ in the 1990s when those crimes were far [4]_____ common than they are today. There are also slightly [5]_____ property crimes than forty years ago, with a drop of 2.8% being reported by some sources. Many inner-city areas once considered 'no-go' zones are [6]_____ more pleasant than they used to be, and cities generally are just as safe [7]_____ anywhere else in the world. The problem, of course, is that the more the media focuses on the few serious crimes, [8]_____ more afraid people become.

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