

It looks as stylish as a normal sports car and it's as fast. It's a bit more expensive, but this car is 100% electric, so it's a lot more ecological and it's much cheaper to run. So being green when you drive doesn't have to be as difficult as you thought – and it can be much more fun.



## Presentation

### as ... as

Use *as ... as* to compare two things and say that they are similar.

*It's as fast as a normal sports car.* (= Sports cars are fast. This car is equally fast.)

Use *not as ... as ...* to compare two things and say that one has less of a certain quality than the other:

*It isn't as expensive as a normal car.* (= It's cheaper)

### Comparative modifiers

Use modifiers to say there is a big difference or a small difference between the things we are comparing:

- big difference:

*This car is a lot / much faster than other cars.*

- small difference:

*This car is a bit / a little more expensive than other cars.*

## Exercises

### 1 Put the words in order. Start with the phrase which is underlined.

Old-fashioned style or new tech comfort? Which camper van do you prefer?

1 popular as the new model isn't the original model as

2 stylish not the new van as is

3 it's as comfortable sleep to in

4 not expensive as the new model is

5 the new one the old one big as as is

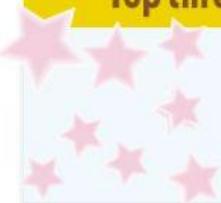
2 Complete these sentences with *is/isn't as ... as* and the adjective in brackets.

- bus (\$40) train (\$40)  
The train ..... is as expensive as ..... the bus. (expensive)
- January (10 degrees) August (18 degrees):  
The weather in January ..... isn't as hot as ..... August. (hot)
- plane (◎◎) train (◎◎):  
The plane ..... the train. (comfortable)
- bike (no fuel) car (fuel):  
A bike ..... a car to run. (expensive)
- bike (30 minutes) bus (30 minutes)  
The journey on a bike ..... a bus (fast)
- car (5 passengers) van (10 passengers)  
A car ..... a van. (big)

## 3 Write complete sentences with comparative forms and modifiers.

- My new car / lot / fast / than my old car. My new car is a lot faster than my old car.
- Finland / much / cold / Italy. Finland is much colder than Italy.
- This coat / little / warm / than that one. This coat is a little warmer than that one.
- Shopping online / often / bit / cheap. Shopping online is often a bit cheaper.
- At the weekend, traffic / much / good / in the city centre. At the weekend, traffic is much better in the city centre.
- This lesson / lot / interesting / than the last one. This lesson is a lot more interesting than the last one.

## 4 Look at the table and underline the correct comparative modifier.

Top three honeymoon destinations of the month			
			
<b>Price</b>	\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$	\$\$\$\$	\$\$
<b>Length of stay</b>	5 days	10 days	2 weeks
<b>Weather</b>	○○	○○○○	○
<b>Excitement</b>	☺	☺☺	☺☺☺☺
<b>Romance</b>	♥♥♥♥	♥♥♥♥♥♥	♥♥♥

- The weather in New York is *a bit / a lot* better than in Finland.
- The weather in the Maldives is *a little / much* better than in Finland.
- Finland is *a bit / much* more exciting than New York.
- New York is *a little / a lot* less exciting than the Maldives.
- The Maldives is *a lot / a bit* more romantic than Finland.
- Finland is *much / a little* less romantic than New York.