Exercise 6. Fill each blank with a word/phrase in the box.

busiest time	**herding**	**noisier**	**buffalo**	**buffalo-drawn carts**
colorful	**rice**	**fantastic**	**countryside**	**harvest time**

1. At the ....., my brother always helps my parents load the rice onto the truck and drives it home.
2. I often help my parents dry the ..... in the yard in front of my house.
3. Some farmers in my village still use ..... to transport rice home.
4. He usually goes ..... the buffaloes with other boys in his village.
5. My pen pal says he would like to visit my ..... at harvest time to see what farmers do.
6. My friend has never ridden a ..... so he would like to try once.
7. Harvest time is the ..... of the year in the countryside.
8. Our garden is ..... in spring when almost flowers bloom.
9. I like looking at the stars on starry nights. It's .....
10. My uncle lives in the city. He says it's ..... than my village.

Exercise 7. Put the adverbs in the comparative form.

Adverbs	Comparative form	Adverbs	Comparative form
1. badly		11. late	
2. conveniently		12. smartly	
3. early		13. responsibly	
4. far		14. patiently	
5. fast		15. generously	
6. fluently		16. cleverly	
7. happily		17. quickly	
8. hard		18. suitably	
9. slowly		19. beautifully	
10. well		20. strongly	

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Exercise 8. Fill in the blank with the correct comparative form of the adverbs.

E.g: He is singing ***more loudly than*** the other singers. (loudly)

1. He arrived ..... expected. (early)
2. We walked ..... the rest of the people. (slowly)
3. They called us ..... in the afternoon. (late)
4. My mother and my sister talked ..... the other guests. (loudly)
5. He hit his arm ..... before. (hard)
6. The Spanish athlete ran ..... the other runners. (fast)
7. Jim threw the ball ..... Peter. (far)
8. We answered all the questions ..... the other students. (well)
9. Our new teacher explains the exercises ..... our old teacher. (badly)
10. The new mechanic checked the car ..... the old mechanic. (thoroughly)

Exercise 9. Fill in the blanks with suitable comparative forms of the words provided.

1. Towns are ..... than villages. (big)
2. A sofa is ..... than a chair. (comfortable)
3. Does an ox run ..... than a horse? (slowly)
4. Laura sings ..... than her sister. (well)
5. My house is ..... from Ha Noi than Nam's house. (far)
6. Minh plays the flute ..... than Quang. (badly)
7. Traffic in the city is always ..... than that in the countryside. (busy)
8. This year the farmers work ..... than they did last year. (hard)
9. Villages are ..... than towns. (quiet)
10. People in this area live ..... than those in other areas. (happily)

Exercise 10. Underline the mistake in each sentence and correct it.

1. Their life has been more comfortably since they moved to the city. .....
2. She looks more pretty in this white dress. .....
3. The manager wants us to work more hardly. .....

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4. This week you look more healthily than last week. .....
5. Everyone in my town is looking for more better crop this year. .....
6. Jim runs more fastly than his friends. .....
7. I think a settle life is more better than a nomadic life. .....
8. Today Jim performs more confident than usual. .....
9. The heavy rain makes it more difficultly to drive. .....
10. Their team preformed much more well than our team. .....

Exercise 11. Fill in the blanks with suitable comparative forms of the words provided.

1. I speak English ..... now than last year. (fluently)
2. They smiled ..... than before. (happily)
3. Tom arrived ..... than I expected. (early)
4. We will meet ..... in the afternoon. (late)
5. Mary dances ..... than anyone else. (gracefully)
6. Could you speak .....? (loud)
7. Jim could do the test ..... than Jane. (well)
8. We walked ..... than other people. (slowly)
9. Planes can fly ..... than birds. (high)
10. I can throw the ball ..... than anyone else in my team. (far)
11. James drives ..... than his wife. (carefully)
12. I visit my grandmother ..... than my brother. (often)
13. No one can run ..... than John. (fast)
14. My sister cooks ..... than I. (badly)
15. Everyone in the company is working ..... than ever before. (hard)

Exercise 12. Complete the sentences with the correct form of adjectives or adverbs in brackets.

1. Some people think that health is ..... than money. (important)
2. The pollution in our city is much ..... than it used to be. (bad)

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3. My new teacher explained the lessons ..... than my old teacher. (clear)
4. He doesn't play volleyball as ..... as his brother. (good)
5. Get rid of the sorrow! You will do it ..... next time. (good)
6. Communication is a lot ..... than it was 50 years ago. (easy)
7. People in rural areas wear ..... than those in cities. (simple)
8. Robert arrived at the meeting ..... than Francis. (late)
9. These trousers are too wide. Do you have any that are .....? (narrow)
10. My mother always gets up ..... than everybody else in the house. (early)
11. Trang speaks ..... than the other ESL students in the class. (fluent)
12. Can't you think of anything ..... to say? (intelligent)
13. I think his new book is much ..... than his last one. (boring)
14. Max finished his homework ..... than anyone else in the class. (fast)
15. He doesn't look as ..... as he used to. (happy)

Exercise 13. Read the passage and choose the correct option to fill in the blank.

Life is changing rapidly in the large cities of England. However, life in other areas remains much the (1) ..... as it has been for centuries. Factories have brought huge population increases to the cities, and city life boomed.

City residents have discovered a new (2) ..... of life, but in country villages the traditional lifestyle has remained nearly (3) ..... There have been a few changes, particularly the new steam-powered machinery. It made farm production more (4) ..... . But for the people who remain in the countryside, daily life continues much as it had before the (5) ..... Revolution. Life in country villages continues to (6) ..... at a slow pace. The daily schedule depends on the times that the sun rose and set and on the weather. In a typical village, the (7) ..... number of workers is still employed in agriculture or in domestic service. A smaller number of people work in various trades. Even (8) ..... work in the professions.

1. A. similar	B. same	C. different	D. both A & B
2. A. method	B. walk	C. way	D. path
3. A. changeful	B. changeable	C. unchanged	D. change
4. A. efficient	B. efficiently	C. efficiency	D. inefficient

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