

Grammar Station

Adjectives: Comparatives

- We use **comparative adjectives** to compare two people or things.
- We add **-er** to most adjectives to make comparatives.
- We also put **than** after comparatives.

		Adjective		Comparative	
most adjectives	+ -er	tall	short	taller	shorter
		fast	strong	faster	stronger
-e	+ -r	large	nice	larger	nicer
		wide	brave	wider	braver
vowel + consonant	double consonant + -er	big	fat	bigger	fatter
		hot	thin	hotter	thinner
-y	y + -ier	happy	heavy	happier	heavier
		pretty	easy	prettier	easier



The cheetah is **faster than** the lion.
The lion is **slower than** the cheetah.
They are **bigger than** the mouse.



Sam is **taller than** Ben.
Ben is **shorter than** Sam.
Frank is **stronger than** Ben and Sam.

Match the adjectives with their comparatives.

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|---------|---|----------|----------|---|-----------|
| 1. tall | • | • hotter | 2. happy | • | • nicer |
| 3. hot | • | • easier | 4. big | • | • bigger |
| 5. easy | • | • taller | 6. nice | • | • happier |

A Circle the correct words.

- Trains are (faster / fastier) than cars.
- You are (tall / taller) than Martha.
- He is (braver / braveer) than me.
- Ann is (younger / youngger) than Bill.
- The ship is (biger / bigger) than the boat.
- Social studies is (easier / easier) than math for me.

B Match to complete the sentences.



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|--------------|---|--------------|---|----------------------|
| 1. The mouse | • | • is fatter | • | • than me. |
| 2. My father | • | • are bigger | • | • than the elephant. |
| 3. The shoes | • | • is smaller | • | • than my cat. |
| 4. Your cat | • | • is older | • | • than her feet. |

C Complete the sentences using comparatives.

- thin Trent is thinner than Diana.
- strong My mom is _____ than my dad.
- nice This bike is _____ than that bike.
- hot This summer is _____ than last summer.
- wide Rivers are _____ than streams.

A Complete the sentences using comparatives.

1. Your bag is very heavy. It is heavier than mine.
2. Comic books are very funny. They are _____ textbooks.
3. My cousin Liz is very young. She is _____ me.
4. This pot is very hot. It is _____ that pan.
5. Bill Gates is very rich. He is _____ my father.

B Complete the sentences using comparatives.



1. Taipei 101 is taller than the Eiffel Tower.
The Eiffel Tower is shorter than Taipei 101.
2. The rabbit is _____ the tortoise. The tortoise is _____ the rabbit.
3. The stone is _____ the feather. The feather is _____ the stone.
4. Russia is _____ Japan. Japan is _____ Russia.

C Correct the underlined words and rewrite the sentences.

1. Your room is dirtyr than my room. → Your room is dirtier than my room.
2. My brother is fater than my sister. → _____
3. Her voice is than louder my voice. → _____
4. This puzzle is easier than that one. → _____
5. Old people are wiser young people. → _____

Complete the advertisement using comparatives.

Camper King is our brand-new camping tent.

Camper King is bigger than our old
(big)camping tent. Camper King _____
(wide)

our old camping tent.

Camper King _____ our old
(strong)

camping tent.

Setting up Camper King _____
(easy)

setting up our old camping tent.

Best of all, Camper King _____
(cheap)

our old camping tent.

Camper King



Review!

Complete the chart.

	Adjective	Comparative	Adjective	Comparative
most adjectives	small	<u>smaller</u>	fast	
	rich		tall	
	wide		nice	
-e	brave		large	
	thin		big	
	fat		hot	
vowel + consonant	dirty		easy	
	funny		heavy	
-y				