

Check the facts

Activity: Quiz in pairs or groups

Language: comparative adjectives; superlative adjectives

Preparation: Make one copy of the worksheet for each student.

Procedure

- Give each student a worksheet and explain that the students are going to do a quiz. Ask students to look at their worksheets. Go through the categories 1–7 and explain any unfamiliar words, e.g. *wildebeest*, *monument*.
- Point out the two questions and three options (a, b, c) in each category. Ask the students to complete the questions with the comparative and superlative form of the adjective. Do an example to illustrate that the first question needs the superlative form (it asks about the top item amongst the three options), and the second question needs the comparative form (it compares the two other options). For example: *Which is the largest ocean? (The Pacific Ocean). Is the Atlantic Ocean larger than the Indian Ocean? (Yes).*
- Students do the quiz individually or in pairs. Allow them to check answers online if possible. They might also want to look up the paintings in category 3 on the Internet to give their opinion.
- Students then compare answers in small groups.
- Point out the last category: number 8. Ask students to work in pairs and think of another category, two questions and three options. Monitor and help as necessary.
- Put the students in different pairs to ask each other their questions.

Answers

- 1 largest; larger; The Pacific Ocean, The Atlantic Ocean, The Indian Ocean
- 2 fastest; faster; the cheetah, the antelope, the wildebeest
- 3 most expensive; more expensive; *The Card Players*, *Violet*, *Green and Red*, *Les Femmes d'Alger*
- 4 most dangerous; more dangerous; surfing, skiing, football
- 5 tallest; taller; The Burj Khalifa, The Tokyo Skytree, The Petronas Towers
- 6 oldest; older; The Great Pyramid of Giza, The Parthenon, The Taj Mahal
- 7 furthest; further; Neptune, Mars, Earth

Extension

- Ask the students to use the comparative or superlative form of the adjectives in the quiz and write their own quiz questions. Students ask and answer their questions in small groups.