

Grammar

Making comparisons

- 1 This email is from Krishna, who has gone to live abroad. Complete the sentences with the comparative or superlative form of the adjective or adverb in brackets.

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Hi Neha,

Well, I've been here for a month now and things are fine. Of course, everything here is different from what I'm used to, and I'm finding some things (1) *easier* (easy) to deal with than others.

The course is (2) (demanding) than I expected and I'm having to work (3) (hard) than I ever have before. (4) (difficult) aspect of the course is the amount of work we have to do. Last week I had to write five essays – that's (5) (tiring) thing I've ever done! The best aspect of the course is the other students. They're (6) (friendly) people I've ever met and because of them I'm (7) (stressed) now than I was the first week of the course.

Lots of things have changed for me in comparison with my life at home. I have to travel (8) (far) to college, a lot of things are (9) (expensive) and the weather is a lot (10) (bad)! The city is (11) (big) than anywhere I've lived before and life is (12) (fast) here. I've never been (13) (busy) than I am now but this is (14) (exciting) thing I've ever done and I'm really pleased that I'm here!

I'll write to you (15) (regular) in future.

Love,
 Krishna



- 2 Complete the first sentence with the comparative or superlative form of the word in brackets. Then complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence.

- 1 a The town I come from is a lot *smaller* (small) than this one.
 b This town is *bigger* than the one I come from.
- 2 a Money is a problem because life here is (expensive) than life at home.
 b Money is a problem because life at home is than life here.
- 3 a I am (old) person in my class.
 b The other people in my class are than me.
- 4 a The transport system here is (good) than the one at home.
 b The transport system at home is than the one here.
- 5 a People here speak (slow) than people at home.
 b People at home speak than people here.
- 6 a Moving to another country is (difficult) thing you can do!
 b Nothing is than moving to another country.