**Three Exercises on Modifiers with Comparative Adjectives**

**Grammar rule:** We use **a lot / much / far** for a **big difference**. We use **a bit / a little / slightly** for a **small difference**.

**Exercise 1: Fill in the blanks**

**Instruction:** Complete the sentences with the correct modifier. Choose from:

**much / a lot / far** (big difference) or **a bit / a little / slightly** (small difference).

1. Lord Voldemort is _____ paler than Ralph Fiennes. (big difference)
2. After summer, Tina looks _____ more suntanned. (small difference)
3. My brother is _____ taller than me. He's 1.90 m and I'm 1.65 m. (big difference)
4. This dress is _____ shorter than the blue one, but not too short. (small difference)
5. Angelina Jolie looks _____ friendlier than Maleficent. (big difference)
6. I feel _____ more tired today than yesterday. (small difference)

**Exercise 2: Match the sentence halves**

**Instruction:** Match the beginning of each sentence (1-5) with the correct ending (a-e). Pay attention to the meaning of the modifiers.

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| 1. After jogging every day, I am... | a) ...slightly paler than my sister. |
| 2. My dad is very strong. He is... | b) ...a lot more confident than last year. |
| 3. I have fair skin, so I am... | c) ...far more punctual than his colleague. |
| 4. She used to be shy, but now she is... | d) ...a bit thinner than last month. |
| 5. Tom always arrives on time. He is... | e) ...much heavier than me. |

**Answers:** 1 – ___, 2 – ___, 3 – ___, 4 – ___, 5 – ___

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**Exercise 3: Choose the correct option**

**Instruction:** Read each sentence and choose the correct modifier. Remember: **a lot / much / far** = big difference; **a bit / a little / slightly** = small difference.

1. My grandmother looks _____ older now than in her wedding photo.
   - a) a little
   - b) much
   - c) slightly
2. After two months of training, I can run _____ faster.
   - a) far
   - b) a bit
   - c) slightly
3. My new phone is _____ better than my old one. It's a huge difference!
   - a) slightly
   - b) a little
   - c) a lot
4. In spring, the days get _____ longer, but you hardly notice it.
   - a) much
   - b) a little
   - c) far
5. Since she started wearing braces, her smile has become _____ more beautiful.
   - a) a bit
   - b) slightly
   - c) much
6. This coffee tastes _____ sweeter than usual. Did you add less sugar?
   - a) slightly
   - b) far
   - c) a lot

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