

• The London Letter • CHALLENGE

Episode 2

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Match the people with the places they go to in this episode.

Activity 1



1

Astrid and Eden



2

Harry and Graham



a

The Monument



b

The Shard



c

London Eye

Activity 2

Listen to 0.33 - 1.03 and complete the sentences.

Eden

This place is than you.

Astrid

Taller you.

Eden

..... you!

Astrid

But than the London Eye. The London Eye?

Eden

You know the London Eye. It's the big wheel! That's definitely taller us.

Astrid

But the place we need is the London Eye.

Match the heights to the pictures.

Activity 3

1.6m

62m

135m



The London Eye



The Monument



Astrid

Activity 4

True or False?

Look at the clue. Write T for True and F for False.

- a The London Eye is taller than Astrid and Eden. ☐
- b The Monument is shorter than the London Eye. ☐
- c The Monument is taller than the Shard. ☐
- d Astrid is taller than the London Eye and the Monument. ☐

Clue



Useful grammar

Be + **comparative adjective** + than
e.g.

Eden is **shorter** than the Monument.

Comparative adjectives

Add **-er** to adjectives with one syllable and adjectives that end in **-y**.

tall – **taller**

short – **shorter**

happy – **happier**

NB: hot – **hotter**

Add **more** before -ed adjectives, most adjectives with two syllables and all adjectives with three or more syllables.

bored – **more** bored

clever – **more** clever

exhausted – **more** exhausted

There are some irregular comparatives.

good – **better**

bad – **worse**

Write comparative sentences.

Activity 6

Write comparative sentences about the things in these pictures.



e.g. **old / young**

The man is **older** than the woman.

The woman is **younger** than the man



a **cheap / expensive**

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b **hot / cold**

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c **good / bad**

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Fill the gaps.

Activity 5

Write the comparative form of the adjective in the gap.

e.g. tall – **taller**

exhausted – **more** exhausted

1 beautiful

2 young

3 cold

4 hot

5 good