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ADJECTIVE DEGREES: COMPARATIVE

		Comparative of Superiority
One-syllable adjectives	tall old nice	tall***er*** (than) old***er*** (than) nice***r*** (than)
One-syllable adjectives ending in a consonant + vowel + consonant	fat hot	fat***ter*** (than) hot***ter*** (than)
Two-syllable adjectives ending in -y	happy easy	happ***ier*** (than) eas***ier*** (than)
Most two / three or more syllable adjectives	famous expensive	***more*** famous (than) ***more*** expensive (than)

Irregular Adjectives	Comparative of Superiority
good	better (than)
bad	worse (than)
far	farther / further (than)

1 – Choose the correct option for each sentence.

1 – Clare is **more tall than / taller than** her sister.

2 – California is **hotter than / more hot than** London.

3 – Life in a city is **expensiver than / more expensive than** life in a village.

4 – English is **easier than / more easy than** Portuguese.

5 – Mountain-climbing is **excitinger than / more exciting than** surfing the net.

6 – A Ferrari is **more beautiful than / beautifuller than** a BMW.

2 – An **Idiom** is a group of words which have a different meaning when used together from the one they would have if you took the meaning of each word separately.
The **comparative of equality** is very common in idioms

Exercise: Complete the idioms with the adjectives from the box in the **comparative of equality**. Then match the sentences to their meaning. ***Follow the example***:

ugly	fat	√ free	blind	white	stubborn	busy

IDIOMS		MEANING
1 – as free as a bird		**a)** very unattractive;
2 – _____ a bee		**b)** obese; overweight;
3 – _____ a bat	1	**c)** without any worries or duties;
4 – _____ a toad		**d)** someone with poor eyesight, unable to see;
5 – _____ a mule		**e)** very pale; frightened;
6 – _____ a pig		**f)** inflexible; determined not to change opinion / attitude;
7 – _____ a ghost		**g)** doing many things at the same time; very active;

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3 – Now complete the following sentences with **one of the idioms** from the previous exercise:

1 – Without glasses, my mother is _____.

2 – I can't convince you to follow my advice. You are _____!

3 – My sister never has any free time. She is always _____ with work.

4 – Travelling makes me feel _____.

5 – Why are you so scared? You are _____.

6 – Mary is a beautiful woman now, but when she was a child she was _____.

4 – Put the following words into the **correct order**:

1 – Brazil / as / isn't / rich / as / China

_____

2 – a Ferrari / A Fiat / less / is / than / fast

_____

3 – relaxing / Life in a big city / than / is / life in a village / less

_____

4 – a five-star hotel / comfortable / not / as / A two-star hotel / is / as

_____

5 – Write the correct comparative degree of the adjectives (**inferiority**, **equality** or **superiority**).

Watch out for the symbols: **+** superiority / **=** equality / **-** inferiority

1 – Ice hockey is _____ (***+ dangerous***) tennis.

2 – Your mobile phone is _____ (***- trendy***) mine.

3 – The first exam was _____ (***= difficult***) the second one.

4 – Non-smokers usually live _____ (***+ long***) smokers.

5 – A Volkswagen is _____ (***+ cheap***) a Mercedes.

6 – Jane is _____ (***- pretty***) her sister.

7 – The Taj Mahal is _____ (***- famous***) the Great Wall of China.

8 – Skateboarding is _____ (***+ exciting***) riding a bike.

9 – Hotels in Portugal are _____ (***- expensive***) in Italy.

10 – Do you think that the *Harry Potter* films are _____ (***+ good***) the books?

11 – Money is _____ (***- important***) health.

12 – Learning German is not _____ (***= easy***) learning English.

13 – I think that this film was _____ (***= bad***) the one we watched yesterday.

14 – In my opinion, Julia Roberts is _____ (***+ beautiful***) Angelina Jolie.

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