

COMPARATIVE ADJECTIVES



Lesson 8

Activity 1: Make the comparative of these adjectives.

Easy: _____
Fast: _____
Comfortable: _____
Difficult: _____
Good: _____
Old: _____
Expensive: _____
Reliable: _____
Big: _____
Powerful: _____
Large: _____
Difficult: _____
Bad: _____
High: _____
Wide: _____
Economical: _____

Activity 2: Look at the information about specifications of these engines and choose the best answers.

SPECIFICATIONS	Engine				
	A	B	C	D	E
Shaft length	25 in	20 in	20 in	20 in	25 in
Engine weight	349 lb	496 lb	442 lb	370 lb	407 lb
Power	115 hp @5500 rpm				
Price	\$10,000	\$10,520	\$9490	\$8934	\$9150

1. Engine A has a (shorter / longer) shaft than Engine B.
2. Engine C has a (shorter / longer) shaft than Engine E.
3. Engine D is (lighter / heavier) than Engine A.
4. Engine D is (cheaper / more expensive) than Engine C.
5. Engine A is (lighter / heavier) than Engine E.
6. Engine A is (cheaper/ more expensive) than Engine E.
7. Engine D has a (shorter / longer) shaft than Engine A.
8. Engine D is (more expensive / more economical) than Engine B.

Activity 3: Look at this chart and put the words in order to make comparative sentences.

TEST RESULTS	Engine				
	A	B	C	D	E
0-40 km/h (seconds)	11.48	13.19	9.38	11.74	13.25
Top Speed (mph)	44.1	44.4	48.0	46.8	45.0
Sound Level (dB)	118	106	121	114	108
Fuel Consumption (gph)	3.6	4.1	4.5	7.5	4.0

1. Engine A (faster/ is / than) Engine C.

2. Engine C (acceleration / has / faster /a) from 0-40 km/h than Engine E.

3. Engine A (more / economical / than/ is) Engine C and D.

4. Engine A (noisier / than / is) Engine Engine B.

5. Engine C (consumption / a / fuel / higher / has) than Engine A and D.

Activity 4: Complete the dialogue between a car salesman (S) and a customer (C). Make comparisons between the two cars.

	1000	1300
Engine size	1.0 litre	1.3 litre
Top speed	155 kph	170 kph
Acceleration	0-100 kph: 15.7 seconds	0-100 kph: 11.5
Fuel tank capacity	40 litre	50 litre
Fuel consumption (combined)	18.5 km/litre	16.5 km/litre

S: The 1300 is quite a bit (1) *faster* (fast) than the 1000.

C: Yes, but doesn't it use (2) *more* petrol?

S: Sure, the fuel consumption on the 1300 is a little bit (3) _____ (high).

C: So, I'll have to fill up with petrol (4) _____ (often).

S: In fact, the 1300 has a (5) _____ (large) fuel tank.

C: How much (6) _____ (large)?

S: It holds 10 litres (7) _____ than the 1000. So that evens things out. The 1300 has (8) _____ (great) acceleration. So it's much (9) _____ (safe), because you can overtake (10) _____ (fast).

C: Because it's got a (11) _____ (powerful) engine, I suppose.

S: Of course, The 1300 is (12) _____ (good) value for money.

C: But it's quite a bit (13) _____ (expensive). You see, the 1300 is (14) _____ \$13,000, and I want to spend (15) _____ than \$10,000. So the 1000 will be (16) _____ (good) for my budget.