

## 4B

## Comparison

1 Look at the table and make comparative sentences about two towns: Trentor and Barfield.

	Trentor	Barfield
Population	120,000	48,000
Total annual rain (in mm)	515	515
Number of snowy days per year	12	26
Average temperature °C	17	25
Distance from the sea (in km)	158	230
Visitor rating	****	***

1 population / big

Trentor's population is bigger than Barfield's population.  
Barfield's population isn't as big as Trentor's population.

2 rainy

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3 snowy

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4 hot

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5 far / from the sea

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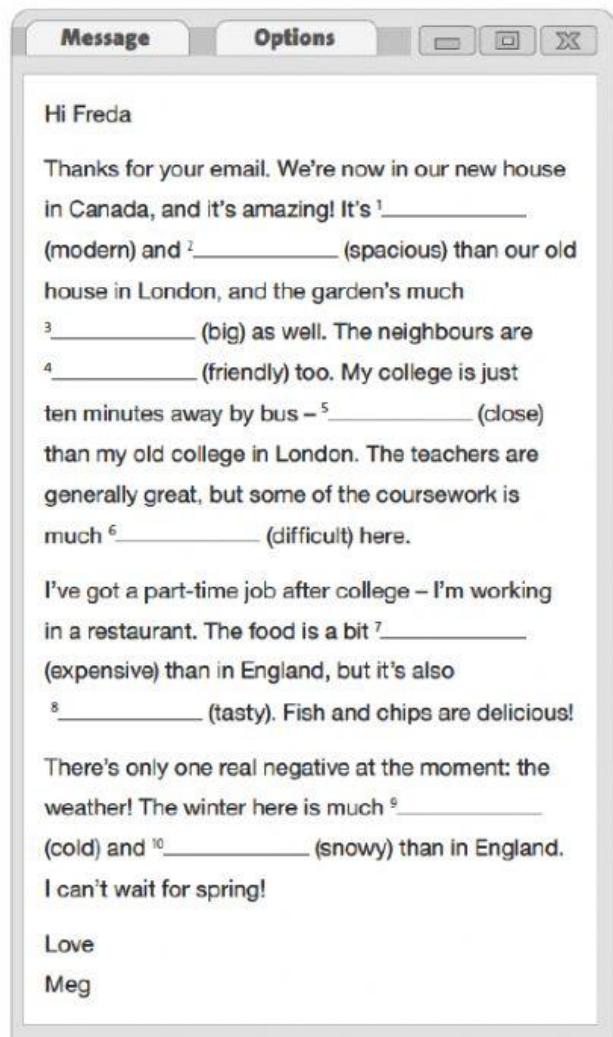
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6 good

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2 Complete the email with the comparative form of the adjectives in brackets.

**Message** **Options** 

Hi Freda

Thanks for your email. We're now in our new house in Canada, and it's amazing! It's <sup>1</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (modern) and <sup>2</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (spacious) than our old house in London, and the garden's much <sup>3</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (big) as well. The neighbours are <sup>4</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (friendly) too. My college is just ten minutes away by bus – <sup>5</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (close) than my old college in London. The teachers are generally great, but some of the coursework is much <sup>6</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (difficult) here.

I've got a part-time job after college – I'm working in a restaurant. The food is a bit <sup>7</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (expensive) than in England, but it's also <sup>8</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (tasty). Fish and chips are delicious!

There's only one real negative at the moment: the weather! The winter here is much <sup>9</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (cold) and <sup>10</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ (snowy) than in England. I can't wait for spring!

Love  
Meg

3 **SPEAKING** Work in groups. Choose two countries from the list below. How much do you know about:

- the climate?
- the cost of food?
- the average size of houses?

Share your ideas and compare the two countries.

Australia China India Japan Mexico  
New Zealand South Africa Spain the UK the USA