

# 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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- 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