

Comparatives: Short adjectives

Short adjectives ...	Spelling rules	Examples
Usually	+ er	slow → slower fast → faster tall → taller
Ending in -e	+ r	large → larger nice → nicer
Some two-syllable adjectives, especially ending in -y	- y → - i + er	hungry → hungrier happy → happier funny → funnier
Ending in a vowel + a consonant	double the consonant + er	big → bigger fat → fatter fit → fitter



7. Complete the short conversations with the comparative forms of adjectives.

Example: a) *Life in the country is slower than the city life.* (slow)

- 1) a) Bishkek is _____ Osh. (big)
 - b) Yes, that's true. Osh is _____ Bishkek. (small)
- 2) a) Moscow is _____ Bishkek. (expensive)
 - b) I agree with you. In Bishkek life is much _____ in Moscow. (cheap).
- 3) a) Bishkek is _____ Osh. (old)
 - b) No, it isn't. Bishkek is _____ Osh. (modern)
- 4) a) The river Talas is _____ the river Naryn. (long)
 - b) You aren't right. The Talas is _____ the Naryn. (short)
- 5) a) Ala-Too square is _____ at night _____ during the day. (dangerous)
 - b) Yes, it's much _____ in the daytime. (safe)
- 6) a) Lebedinovka is _____ Bishkek _____ Pokrovka. (near)
 - b) Yes, Pokrovka is _____ Lebedinovka. (far)
- 7) a) Summers in Kyrgyzstan are _____ winters. (dry)
 - b) And they are also _____ winters. (hot)