

Write sentences about Kate and Ben. Use **than**.



Kate

- 1 I'm 26.
- 2 I'm not a very good swimmer.
- 3 I'm 1 metre 68 tall.
- 4 I start work at 8 o'clock.
- 5 I don't work very hard.
- 6 I don't have much money.
- 7 I'm a very good driver.
- 8 I'm not very patient.
- 9 I'm not a very good dancer.
- 10 I'm very intelligent.
- 11 I speak French very well.
- 12 I don't go to the cinema very much.



Ben

- 1 I'm 24.
- 2 I'm a very good swimmer.
- 3 I'm 1 metre 63 tall.
- 4 I start work at 8.30.
- 5 I work very hard.
- 6 I have a lot of money.
- 7 I'm not a very good driver.
- 8 I'm very patient.
- 9 I'm a good dancer.
- 10 I'm not very intelligent.
- 11 I don't speak French very well.
- 12 I go to the cinema a lot.

- 1 Kate is older than Ben.
- 2 Ben is a better swimmer than Kate.
- 3 Kate is ...
- 4 Kate starts ... Ben.
- 5 Ben ...
- 6 Ben has ...

- 7 Kate is a ...
- 8 Ben ...
- 9 Ben ...
- 10 Kate ...
- 11 Kate ...
- 12 Ben ...

Complete the sentences. Each time use the comparative form of one of the words in the box. Use **than** where necessary.

big	crowded	early	easily	high	important
interested	peaceful	reliable	serious	simple	thin

- 1 I was feeling tired last night, so I went to bed earlier than usual.
- 2 I'd like to have a more reliable car. The one I've got keeps breaking down.
- 3 Unfortunately her illness was ... we thought at first.
- 4 You look ... Have you lost weight?
- 5 I want a ... flat. We don't have enough space here.
- 6 He doesn't study very hard. He's ... in having a good time.
- 7 Health and happiness are ... money.
- 8 The instructions were very complicated. They could have been ...
- 9 There were a lot of people on the bus. It was ... usual.
- 10 I like living in the countryside. It's ... living in a town.
- 11 You'll find your way around the town ... if you have a good map.
- 12 In some parts of the country, prices are ... in others.

Complete the sentences using as ... as.

- 1 I'm quite tall, but you are taller. I'm not as tall as you.
- 2 My salary is high, but yours is higher. My salary isn't as high as yours.
- 3 You know a bit about cars, but I know more.
You don't know as much about cars as I do.
- 4 It's still cold, but it was colder yesterday.
It isn't as cold as it was yesterday.
- 5 I still feel quite tired, but I felt a lot more tired yesterday.
I don't feel as tired as I did yesterday.
- 6 Our neighbours have lived here for quite a long time, but we've lived here longer.
Our neighbours haven't lived here as long as we have.
- 7 I was a bit nervous before the interview, but usually I'm a lot more nervous.
I wasn't as nervous as I usually am.

Write a new sentence with the same meaning.

- 1 Richard is younger than he looks. Richard isn't as old as he looks.
- 2 I didn't spend as much money as you. You spent more money than me.
- 3 The station was nearer than I thought. The station wasn't as near as I thought.
- 4 The meal didn't cost as much as I expected. The meal cost as much as I expected.
- 5 I go out less than I used to. I don't go out as much as I used to.
- 6 Karen's hair isn't as long as it used to be. Karen used to have longer hair than she does now.
- 7 I know them better than you do. You don't know them as well as I do.
- 8 There are fewer people at this meeting than at the last one.
There aren't as many people at this meeting as there were at the last one.

4 ►4.2 Listen to part of a phone conversation between an after-sales representative from Ercho and a user of their software. Complete the representative's notes about the new version.

User feedback on ...	Better?	Big difference?	Comments?
the new version of the software	Y / N		
using the customer-profile system	Y / N		
filling in the order forms	Y / N		

5 ►4.2 Listen again and write the missing words.

- 1 Do you think it's _____?
- 2 Overall, it works a lot _____ than the old version.
- 3 You could find a profile almost as _____.
- 4 The options are a lot more _____.
- 5 Staff are filling it in a little _____.

Use the words in brackets to complete the sentences. Use **much / a bit etc. + a comparative form**. Use **than** where necessary.

- 1 Her illness was much more serious than we thought at first. (much / serious)
- 2 This bag is too small. I need something (much / big)
- 3 I'm afraid the problem is it seems. (much / complicated)
- 4 It was very hot yesterday. Today it's (a bit / cool)
- 5 I enjoyed our visit to the museum. It was I expected. (far / interesting)
- 6 You're driving too fast. Can you drive ? (a bit / slowly)
- 7 It's to learn a foreign language in a country where it is spoken. (a lot / easy)
- 8 I thought she was younger than me, but in fact she's (slightly / old)

7 Work with a partner. Make sentences to compare two financial software products on the market. Use the information in the table and the modifiers + adjective or adverb below in the comparative form.

Example: Financepro is a lot cheaper than Accounter 3.1.

a lot / cheap almost / secure far / up-to-date a little / easily much / quickly

	Financepro	Accounter 3.1
1 Price?	\$499	\$710
2 Easy-to-use?	Staff can learn to use it easily.	Staff can learn to use it very easily.
3 Security features?	Secure	Very secure
4 Technical support?	They can help within 24 hours.	They can help within one hour.
5 Most recent version?	Two years old	Last month

8 Make a similar table of notes about one of your company's products or services in comparison to your main competitor. Then work with a partner and tell each other about your product or service.

Example: We're a bit more expensive than our competitor, but ...