

# Comparative Adjectives

1 Look at the way we compare things:



Excelsior Hotel  
£100 per night



Plaza Hotel  
£50 per night

The Plaza Hotel is **cheaper than** the Excelsior.  
The Excelsior Hotel is **bigger than** the Plaza Hotel.

2 **Cheaper** and **more expensive** are comparative adjectives. We form them like this:

- Short adjectives (one syllable):

ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE
old	older
long	longer
nice	nicer
new	newer
slow	slower
fat	fatter
hot	hotter
big	bigger

- Adjectives one syllables ending consonant, vowel and consonant:

ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE
big	bigger
hot	hotter
thin	thinner

- Adjectives ending with -y:

happy	happier
hungry	hungrier

- Irregular adjectives

good	better
bad	worse
far	further

3 To compare things, we use a comparative adjective + than:



Tom is **richer than** Paul.  
My new car is **better than** my old one.

## PRACTICE

A Write the comparative form of these adjectives.

0 cold	_____	13 long	_____
1 big	_____	14 hungry	_____
2 good	_____	15 nice	_____
3 fat	_____	16 happy	_____
4 new	_____	17 tall	_____
5 modern	_____	18 old	_____
6 young	_____	19 great	_____
7 cheap	_____	20 friendly	_____
8 cold	_____	21 hot	_____
9 big	_____	22 large	_____
10 good	_____	23 bad	_____
11 far	_____	24 small	_____
12 modern	_____	25 cheap	_____