UNIT 4: MUSIC AND ARTS

II. GRAMMAR

COMPARISONS (CẤU TRÚC SO SÁNH)

1. So sánh giống nhau: (NOT) AS... AS, THE SAME AS, LIKE

a. as... as: bằng

S + to be/v + as + adj/adv + as + noun/pronoun

E.g.1: She is as tall as me. (Cô *ấy cao bằng tôi)*

E.g.2: He is as intelligent as his brother. *(Anh ấy thông minh như anh trai anh ấy)*

b. not as... as/ not so... as: không bằng

S + to be/v + not as/so + adj/adv + as + noun/pronoun

E.g. 1: She isn't as tall as me. *(Cô ấy không cao bằng tôi.)*

E.g.2: She isn't as careful as her sister. *(Cô ấy không cẩn thận bàng chị gái của cô ấy.)*

E.g.3: Lan doesn't work so hard as me. *(Lan không làm việc chăm chỉ bằng tôi.)*

E.g.4: My mother is not so strong as my father. *(Mẹ tôi không khỏe mạnh bằng bố tôi.)*

c. the same... as: giống với

S + V + the same + N + as + O

E.g.1: She is the same height as me. *(Cô ấy có chiều cao như tôi.)*

E.g.2: My son is the same age as yours. *(Con trai tôi cùng tuổi với con cậu.)*

d. like: giống với

S + V + like + N/O

E.g. 1: She looks like her mother. *(Cô ấy trông giống với mẹ của cô ấy.)*

E.g.2: Like my mother, I'm good at cooking. *(Giống với mẹ của tôi, tôi nấu ăn rất ngon.)*

2. So sánh khác nhau: DIFFERENT FROM

S1 + to be + different from + S2

E.g.1: Schools in a big city are different from schools in the countryside.

(Các trường học ở thành phố lớn khác với các trường học ở nông thôn.)

E.g.2: His house is different from mine. *(Ngôi nhà của anh ấy khác ngôi nhà của tôi.)*

Exercise 1. Rewrite the sentence using the structure "as ... as" and start by the given words.

1. I'm quite tall but you are taller.

→ I'm not .....

2. My salary is high, but yours is higher.

→ My salary isn't.....

3. You know a bit about cars, but I know more.

→You don't know.....

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4. It's still cold, but it was colder yesterday.

→ It isn't.....

5. I still feel quite tired, but a lot more tired yesterday.

→ I don't.....

6. Our neighbours have lived here for quite a long time, but we've lived here longer.

→ Our neighbours haven't.....

7. I was a bit nervous before the interview, but usually I'm a lot more nervous.

→ I wasn't .....

8. I know them better than you do.

→You don't .....

9. There are fewer people at this meeting than at the last one.

→There aren't.....

10. I go out less than I used to.

→ I don't.....

Exercise 2. Rewrite the sentences using the structure "the same ... as" and the noun in the brackets.

1. My sister is _____ me. (height)
2. Jim pursues _____Jane. (hobby)
3. My best friend is _____me. (age)
4. My friends went to see _____me. (movie)
5. This musician plays _____me. (musical instrument)
6. Critics say that this painter has _____that one. (style)
7. My brother is interested in _____me. (subject)
8. This class has _____that one. (number of students)
9. Anne bought _____me yesterday. (dress)
10. She cut her hair _____mine. (length)

Exercise 3. Complete the second sentence using the word in brackets.

1. Cycling is faster than walking, (as)

   Walking.....

2. This tea doesn't taste the same as the one I usually drink. (from)

   This tea .....

3. Money is not as important as health. (than)

   Health .....

4. His new guitar isn't different from his old one. (as)

   His new guitar.....

5. Everest is higher than K2. (as)

   K2.....

6. Oil painting is not the same as pencil painting. (from)

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Oil painting .....

7. Yesterday's exam wasn't as short as today's. (than)

Today's exam .....

8. Your idea is different from mine. (as)

Your idea .....

Exercise 10. Rewrite each of the following sentences using *"different from* or *"the same as".*

1. Their results and our results are different.

Their results are different from our results.

2. The price of the scarf and the price of the gloves are the same.

The price of the scarf is the same as the price of the gloves.

3. This house and your last house are different.

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4. The child's height and the height of the table are the same.

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5. Jane and her sister are very different.

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6. This cake and that cake taste the same.

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7. Food in San Francisco and food in New Orleans are different.

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8. His shoes and my shoes are the same.

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9. American English and British English are slightly different.

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10. People say I and my mother look just the same.

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Exercise 4. Complete each sentence so that it means the same as the sentence above.

1. This room is larger than the one at the end of the corridor of the art gallery.

→ The room at the end of the corridor of the art gallery is not .....

2. I think action films are more exciting than romance films.

→ In my opinion, romance films are not.....

3. Salvador Dali's paintings are different from Picasso's paintings.

→ Picasso's paintings are not.....

4. I am interested in comic books, and my brother is also interested in comic books.

→ I am interested in comic books, and my brother is .....

5. My mother doesn't like thrillers. I don't like them.

→ My mother doesn't like thrillers, and I don't .....

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6. She takes photographs and collects coins as hobbies.

→ Her hobbies are .....

7. "Cheo" or " Cai luong" are considered some kinds of traditional opera in Viet Nam.

→ Viet Nam has some kinds of .....

8. My sister sings better than me.

→ I don't sing .....

9. Ballets and modern dance are quite different.

→ Ballets and modern dance are not .....

10. The project was shorter than we thought at first.

→ The project was not as.....

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