

Exercise 1: Choose the more appropriate words.

1. Of the four dresses, I like the red one (better/ best).
2. Pil is the (happier/ happiest) person we know.
3. Pat's car is (faster/ fastest) than Dan's.
4. This is the (creamier/ creamiest) ice-cream I have had in a long time.
5. This poster is (colourfuler/ more colourful) than the one in the hall.
6. Does Fred feel (weller/ better) today than he did yesterday?
7. This vegetable soup tastes very (good/ best).
8. While trying to balance the baskets on her head, the woman walked (awkwarder/ more awkwardly) than her daughter.
9. Jane is the (less/ least) athletic of all the women.
10. My cat is the (prettier/ prettiest) of the two.
11. This summary is (the better/ the best) of the pair.
12. The colder the weather gets, (sicker/ the sicker) I feel.
13. Jim has as (few/ fewer) opportunities to play tennis as I have.
14. That recipe calls for (many/ much) more sugar than mine does.
15. The museum is the (further/ furthest) away of the three buildings.

Exercise 2: Complete the sentences using the correct form of the adjectives or adverbs in brackets.

1. Mary is _____ (pretty) as her sister.
2. A new house is _____ (expensive) than an old one.
3. His job is _____ (important) than mine.
4. Of the four ties, I like the red one _____ (well).
5. Nobody is _____ (happy) than Miss Snow.
6. Today English is the _____ (international) of language.
7. John is much _____ (strong) than I thought.
8. Benches are (comfortable) than arm-chairs.
9. Bill is _____ (good) than you thought.
10. Mr Bush is the _____ (delightful) person I have ever known.
11. Dick is the _____ (careful) of the three workers.
12. Sam's conduct is _____ (bad) than Paul's.
13. Thanks to the progress of science, human life is _____ (good) and _____ (good).
14. Bill is _____ (lazy) and _____ (lazy).
15. The teacher speaks English _____ (fluently) than we do.

16. These boys are _____ (ill-prepared) for employment than my children.
17. The competition makes the price of goods _____ (cheap) and _____ (cheap).
18. Charles is _____ (hard-working) than Tom.
19. Is this book _____ (interesting) than the one you read last week?
20. Of the three boys, Harry is the _____ (badly-bred).

Exercise 3: Complete each of the sentences with the comparative form of one of the following words. Use *than* where necessary.

big crowded early high important
easily peaceful reliable serious thin

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

Exercise 4: Complete the sentences using double comparative form.

1. It becomes _____ to find a job. (hard)
2. That hole in your pullover is getting _____. (big)
3. As I waited for my interview, I became _____. (nervous)
4. As the day went on, the weather got _____. (bad)
5. As the conversation went on, he became _____. (talkative)

Exercise 5: Complete the sentences with *than* or *as*.

1. I can't reach as high as you.
→ You're taller ...
2. He doesn't know much.
→ I know more ...

3. We were very surprised.
→ Nobody was more ...
4. She's not a very good player.
→ I'm a better ...
5. They've been very luck.
→ I wish we were...