

Grammar A room of my own

Comparative and superlative adjectives

- 1 Read the information. Write sentences with the comparative form of the adjectives in brackets.

	The Oval Office	The State Dining Room
Built in	1934	1902
Width	about 11 m	about 15 m
Size	75.8 m ²	165 m ²
Busy	used every day	used on special occasions only
Comfortable	***	****
Beautiful	****	*****

- (old) _____
- (wide) _____
- (small) _____
- (busy) _____
- (comfortable) _____
- (beautiful) _____

- 2 Write questions using the superlative form of the adjectives in brackets. Then answer the questions.

- Which is _____ (large): The Pentagon, the White House or the Chrysler Building?
- What is _____ (tall) building in the world?
- Which is _____ (far) from London: New York, Los Angeles or Chicago?
- What is _____ (polluted) city in the world?
- How much is _____ (expensive) room in the Ritz-Carlton hotel, Moscow: \$18,000, \$1,800 or \$180?

(not) as ... as

- 3 Write sentences using (not) as ... as and the words in brackets.

- Our TV and our neighbour's TV are the same size. (big)
Our TV is **as big as** our neighbour's TV.
- My bedroom is really untidy, but my sister's is worse! (messy)

- Both the kitchen and the bathroom in our house are old-fashioned. (old-fashioned)

- It costs 200,000 euros to buy a three-bedroomed flat or a terraced house in this town. (expensive)

- The cooker isn't clean, and the fridge isn't clean! (dirty)

- The streets in Paris are wider than the streets in my town. (narrow)

too and enough

- 4 Complete the answers to the questions. Use *too* or *enough* and the words in brackets.

- Why is nobody sitting in that old chair? (comfortable)
Well, because it isn't _____.
- Why don't you want to visit the old castle? (far)
I think it's _____ away.
- Why do you hate your bedroom? (narrow)
It's _____.
- Why can't you hear the DVD player? (loud)
It isn't _____.
- Why did your sister buy a small terraced house? (rich)
She isn't _____ to buy a mansion.
- Would you like to sit in the garden? (cold)
No! It's _____ to go outside.

- 5 Write one word in each gap to complete the article.

The little house in Conwy

In Conwy, which is one of the prettiest and ¹_____ popular tourist towns in north Wales, you can find ²_____ smallest house in Great Britain. The house is only about two metres wide. In fact, it's only ³_____ big ⁴_____ a small bus. There's hardly any furniture and it wouldn't be comfortable ⁵_____ for most people to live in. Surprisingly, its last owner, Robert Jones, was 1.9 metres tall! He couldn't stand up in the rooms because he was ⁶_____ tall, and the ceilings weren't high ⁷_____.

Conwy is also famous for its thirteenth-century castle, which is older ⁸_____ the town itself. There are two bridges near the castle – a suspension bridge, built in 1826, and a ⁹_____ modern railway bridge.

- 6 CHALLENGE! Compare the bedroom and living room in the photos to your bedroom and living room.

