comparative

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We use the word than after a comparative.

Water is cheaper than milk.
Brussels is a smaller city than Berlin.

Write the comparative.

1. English is easier than French. (easy)
2. Hornsea isn’t _______ _______ Manchester. (big)
3. Henry is _______ _______ Frank. (short)
4. Paper can be _______ _______ cardboard. (cheap)
5. My aunt is _______ _______ my uncle. (old)

Is your father older than your mother? No, my father isn’t older than my mother. He’s younger.
Is Brussels bigger than Berlin? No, Brussels isn’t bigger than Berlin. It’s smaller.
Are you taller than me? No, I’m not taller than you. I’m shorter than you.
Is water cheaper than milk? Yes, water is cheaper than milk.
Is it colder in Brazil than in Germany? No, it isn’t colder in Brazil than in Germany. It’s hotter.
Are you happier at the end or the beginning of the week? I’m happier at the end of the week.
Is English easier than French? Yes, English is easier than French.

* Is water cheaper than milk?
  ○ Yes, water is cheaper than milk.
interesting  ['ɪntrəstɪŋ]  
boring  ['boːrɪŋ]  

**comparative**

We add the word *more* to adjectives with 2 or more syllables:
e.g.  difficult, *more* difficult; interesting, *more* interesting.

*French is more difficult than English.*

**Write the comparative.**

1. French is *more difficult* than English. *(difficult)*

2. That laptop can't be _______ ________ _______ my phone. *(expensive)*

3. Is London a _______ ________ city than Hornsea? *(boring)*

4. The film is _______ ________ _______ the book. *(interesting)*

5. His picture is _______ ________ _______ mine. *(beautiful)*

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**Is milk more expensive than water?**

Yes, milk is more expensive than water.

**Is Paris more beautiful than Moscow?**

Yes, Paris is more beautiful than Moscow.

**Is French easier than English?**

No, French isn't easier than English. It's more difficult.

**Is London a more boring city than Madrid?**

No, London isn't a more boring city than Madrid. It's a more interesting city than Madrid.

**Is studying more interesting than walking?**

No, studying isn't more interesting than walking. It's more boring.

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**taxi  ['tæksi]**  
take a taxi  

car park  ['kaː pɑːk]  
park  [pɑːk]

**Are taxis expensive in this city?**

No, taxis aren't expensive in this city.

Do you often take a taxi?  

Yes, I often take a taxi.

Do you prefer going by bus or taking a taxi?  

I prefer taking a taxi.

**Is there a car park outside the school?**

Yes, there's a car park outside the school.

**Is it big enough?**

No, it isn't big enough. It's too small.

**Is parking a car difficult in this city?**

Yes, parking a car is difficult in this city.

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Why do some people park their cars badly? 
Some people park their cars badly because they can't park well.

grandmother [ˈɡrænmʌðə]  
grandfather [ˈɡrændfəðə]  
grandparents [ˈɡrændpɜərənts]

What do we call our mother’s mother? 
We call our mother’s mother our grandmother.

Do you have a grandfather clock in your living room? 
No, I don’t have a grandfather clock in my living room.

Do children like playing with their grandparents? 
Yes, children like playing with their grandparents.

superlative [suˈpɜːlətɪv]  
world [wɜːld]  
whale [weɪl]  
Antarctica [æntəˈktɪkə]

superlative 
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or adjectives with 2 syllables when they end in -y:  
e.g. easy, easier, the easiest; happy, happier, the happiest.

My grandfather is the oldest person in my family.

Write the superlative.
1. Martha is the tallest woman in this classroom. (tall)  
2. Swedish is ______ language. (easy)  
3. She isn’t ______ child. (happy)  
4. Which is ______ continent? (cold)  
5. I don’t think March is ______ month. (hot)

Do you know where the oldest people in the world live? 
Yes, I know where the oldest people in the world live: in the USA and Japan.

Is your grandmother the youngest person in your family? 
No, my grandmother isn’t the youngest person in my family. She’s the oldest person.

Which is the biggest animal in the world? 
I think the whale is the biggest animal in the world.

Which is the coldest continent in the world? 
Antarctica is the coldest continent in the world.

Which is the hottest month in your country? 
I think July is the hottest month in my country.

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<td>No, a whale isn't light. It's heavy.</td>
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<td>Yes, I can see something made of iron here.</td>
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<td>Is iron lighter than wood?</td>
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<td>What is the lightest kind of computer?</td>
<td>The netbook is the lightest kind of computer.</td>
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<td>What is the heaviest animal in the world?</td>
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superlative

We add the words the most to adjectives with 2 or more syllables:
e.g. interesting, more interesting, the most interesting.

My city is the most beautiful city in this country.

Write the superlative.

1. French isn't the most difficult language. (difficult)
2. Is that woman _______ _______ _______ actress here? (beautiful)
3. Liverpool isn't _______ _______ _______ city. (boring)
4. This is _______ _______ _______ restaurant in the town. (expensive)
5. Which is _______ _______ _______ book? (interesting)

Who do you think is the most beautiful actress in this country?  I think Penelope Cruz is the most beautiful actress in this country.
Who do you think is the most handsome actor in Hollywood?   I think Brad Pitt is the most handsome actor in Hollywood.
Do you want to go for lunch with the most beautiful fashion model in the world? Yes, I want to go for lunch with the most beautiful fashion model in the world.
Which do you think is the most difficult language in the world?  I think Japanese is the most difficult language in the world.
Which do you think is the most expensive restaurant in your town?  I think the White Elephant is the most expensive restaurant in my town.
Communication 1

Dialogue

A new T-shirt

○ Cristina
• Andy
◆ shop assistant

○ Hello, Andy.
• Hello, Cristina. I want to buy a new T-shirt.
○ Oh, what colour do you want?
• I don't know - maybe green?
○ Do you want to buy the T-shirt on the Internet?
• No, I don't think so. I don't know what size to buy.
○ OK, let's go shopping, then.

○ ● ○

• Good morning.
◆ Good morning. Can I help you?
• I'd like to buy a T-shirt.
◆ Do you like the blue one?
• Well, I think I want a green one.
◆ What size do you take?
• I think I take medium.
◆ OK, do you like this one?
• Yes. Can I try it on?
◆ Of course.

○ ● ○

• Can I pay by credit card?
◆ Yes, of course.
• Here you are.
◆ Thank you.
• Thank you, goodbye.
◆ Bye.

Exercise 1

Complete with information from the dialogue.

Andy wants to buy a new ________________. He doesn't want to buy it on the ________________ because he doesn't know what ________________ to buy. He buys a ________________ T-shirt and pays by ________________.

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New words / phrases

maybe –
I don't think so –
then –
Can I help you? –
medium –
Can I try it on? –
Exercise 2

Complete the sentences with these words.

so colour let's what do help can one on to

1. What ... colour ... do you want? 6. No, I don’t think .................
2. Do you like the blue ................? 7. Can I try it ................?
3. ................ I pay by credit card? 8. I don’t know what size ................. buy.
4. ................ you like this one? 9. ................. go shopping.
5. ................ size do you take? 10. Can I ................. you?

Exercise 3

Practise the main dialogue taking turns.

Exercise 4

Write a new dialogue based on the second part of the main dialogue.

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Grammar Lesson 1

**comparative**

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- e.g. difficult, more difficult; interesting, more interesting.
We use the word 'than' after a comparative.

**Exercise 1**

Fill the gaps in the sentences with words from the box (13, 14).

1. The red box is ... bigger ... than the blue box.
2. Berlin isn't ..................... than Vienna.
3. Shoes are more ..................... than trousers.
5. German is ..................... than Japanese.
6. Chinese is ..................... difficult than French.
7. Water is cheaper ..................... milk.
8. The students think that walking is more ..................... than studying.

**Exercise 2**

Fill the gaps with adjectives in the correct form.

1. The red box is ... bigger ... than the blue box. (big)  
2. Is Vienna ..................... than Berlin? (small)  
3. Milk isn't ..................... than water. (cheap)  
4. Paris is ..................... ..................... than Moscow. (beautiful)  
5. It isn't ..................... in Brazil than in Germany. It's ..................... (cold, hot)  
6. Chinese is ..................... ..................... than English. (difficult)  
7. Milk is ..................... ..................... than water. (expensive)
8. Are they ................. at the end of the week?  (happy)
9. That shirt is ................. than these trousers.  (old)
10. London is a ................. ................. city than Manchester.  (interesting)
11. Is French ................. than Italian?  (easy)

(boring)

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We add the words 'the most' to adjectives with 2 or more syllables:
e.g. interesting, more interesting, the most interesting.

Exercise 3
Fill the gaps in the sentences with words from the table. (► 15, 16)

youngest expensive the heaviest most biggest cheapest the

1. The red box is the ... biggest ... in this room.
2. The whale is ................. heaviest animal in the world.
3. Water is the ................. drink.
4. Your sister is the ................. person in your family.
5. The motherboard is the most ................. part of the computer.
6. Which is ................. most difficult language in the world?
7. My grandfather is the ................. person in my family.
8. Who is the ................. important person to you?

Exercise 4
Fill the gaps with adjectives in the correct form.

1. The red box is ... the biggest ... in this room.  (big)
2. Who is the ................. person in your family?  (old)
3. My city is the ................. ................. city in this country.  (beautiful)
4. This logo is ................. .................  (ugly)
5. Her cousin is ................... ................... person in her family. (young)
6. The motherboard is ................... ................... ................... part of the computer. (expensive)
7. Is Japanese ................... ................... ................... language in the world? (difficult)
8. February is ................... ................... month of the year. (short)

**Exercise 5**

**Complete the table.**

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**Exercise 6**

**Complete the sentences with the adjectives in the correct form.**

1. My brother is ... older ... than ... me. (old)
2. This is ................... ................... ................... house in the street. (beautiful)
3. My uncle is very ................... (tall)
4. This skirt is ................... ................... that one. (ugly)
5. He isn't ................... ................... than my husband. (handsome)
6. This book is ................... ................... ................... that book. (expensive)
7. This film is very ................... (long)
8. She is ................... ................... ................... fashion model in the USA. (famous)
Exercise 7

Complete each sentence with one word.

1. The red box is the ... biggest ... in this room.
2. She thinks films are ................. interesting than books.
3. Milk is more expensive ................. water.
4. Chinese isn't the ................. difficult language in the world.
5. Rome is ................. biggest city in Italy.
6. Is French easier ................. Spanish?
7. The White Elephant is the ................. expensive restaurant in this village.
8. Is Paris a ................. beautiful city than Moscow?
9. The whale is ................. heaviest animal in the world.
10. A hard disk is more expensive .......... a keyboard.

Exercise 8

Choose the correct word.

1. The red box is the / a / any biggest in this room.
2. I am the taller / tall / tallest person in the group.
3. She is happier / happier / hapier than her friend.
4. I think Madrid is smallest / small / smaller than London.
5. His family is more / most / many important to him than his friends.
6. Is water cheaper that / these / than milk?
7. The town is boringer / more boringer / more boring than the village.
8. This is the more / most / much expensive part of your computer.
9. English is easier than / those / that Russian.
10. Brazil is hotter / hoter / hotier than Sweden.
Vocabulary practice

Exercise 9

Write the missing months.

January    ... February ...    March    ........................
          ........................    July    ........................
          ........................    November    ........................

Exercise 10

Cross out the words that do not fit.

1. he -- it -- our -- she
2. short -- long -- than -- easy
3. lemon -- ice cream -- chocolate -- syllable
4. never -- often -- usually -- always
5. second -- fifth -- first -- seven
6. February -- Monday -- October -- April
7. bookshop -- sell -- grocer's -- greengrocer's
8. screen -- mouse -- processor -- elephant
9. begin -- buy -- most -- pay
10. Tuesday -- September -- Thursday -- Sunday

Exercise 11

Find sixteen words and write them in the correct categories.

FebruarymouseshopsellsFridayAprilsupermarketSundaykeyboardendprocessorWednesday
NovemberSaturdayparkMondaybookshopJulyscreenbuyAugustbeginstoremotherboardgrocer's