

Comparison of Adjectives and Adverbs in English

Practice Worksheet for B1-B2 / Cambridge English Learners

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Aim: Practise comparative and superlative adjectives and adverbs, including regular forms, irregular forms, as...as, less/least, and common mistakes.

Quick Reminder

Use	Form	Example
Short adjectives	adjective + -er / -est	small -> smaller -> the smallest
Long adjectives	more / the most + adjective	interesting -> more interesting -> the most interesting
Most -ly adverbs	more / the most + adverb	carefully -> more carefully -> the most carefully
Short adverbs	adverb + -er / -est	hard -> harder -> the hardest

Exercise 1: Form the Comparative and Superlative

Complete the table with the correct comparative and superlative forms.

Word	Comparative	Superlative
1. busy	_____	_____
2. expensive	_____	_____
3. good	_____	_____
4. fast	_____	_____
5. carefully	_____	_____
6. badly	_____	_____
7. comfortable	_____	_____
8. early	_____	_____
9. thin	_____	_____
10. far	_____	_____

Exercise 2: Choose the Correct Answer

Circle or underline the correct option.

1. This suitcase is (heavier / more heavy / the heaviest) than mine.
2. She speaks English (more confident / more confidently / confidentlier) now.
3. This is (the better / the best / best) solution we have.
4. Could you speak (slowlier / more slowly / slowerly), please?
5. My new flat is (more spacious / spacousest / more spaciously) than the old one.
6. He arrived (earlier / more early / earliest) than we expected.

7. Of all the students, Anna writes (more neatly / the most neatly / neatlier).
8. This road is (narrower / more narrow / both are possible) than the main road.
9. You need to work (hardly / more hard / harder) if you want to improve.
10. This is (the most interesting / the interestingest / more interesting) chapter in the book.

Exercise 3: Complete the Sentences

Use the adjective or adverb in brackets in the correct comparative or superlative form.

1. This exercise is _____ than the previous one. (easy)
2. She answered the question _____ than I did. (quickly)
3. That was _____ meal I have had this month. (bad)
4. My brother drives _____ than my father. (carefully)
5. This sofa is _____ than it looks. (comfortable)
6. Of all the runners, he ran _____. (fast)
7. The instructions were _____ than I expected. (clear)
8. Please write _____; I cannot read your handwriting. (neatly)
9. This is _____ part of the exam for many students. (difficult)
10. She performed _____ in the final round than in the first round. (well)
11. Our house is _____ from the station than yours. (far)
12. This option is _____ expensive than the first one. (little)

Exercise 4: Adjective or Adverb?

Choose the correct word and complete the comparison.

1. Maya is a very careful / carefully driver. She drives _____ than most people.
2. Tom is quick / quickly at solving problems. He usually finishes _____ than the others.
3. This explanation is clear / clearly. It explains the rule _____ than the textbook.
4. The children were quiet / quietly today. They played _____ than usual.
5. She is a fluent / fluently speaker. She speaks English _____ than her classmates.
6. The team was bad / badly prepared. They played _____ than last week.
7. He gave a polite / politely reply. He answered _____ than I expected.
8. This is a good / well essay. You wrote it _____ than your last one.

Exercise 5: Correct the Mistakes

Each sentence contains one mistake. Rewrite the sentence correctly.

1. This book is more easier than the last one.
Answer: _____
2. She speaks English good.
Answer: _____
3. He drives carefuler now.
Answer: _____
4. This is the most cheapest hotel in town.
Answer: _____
5. My sister is more tall than me.
Answer: _____
6. You should answer more quick in the exam.
Answer: _____
7. Today is more hot than yesterday.
Answer: _____
8. That was the worse film I have ever seen.
Answer: _____
9. He works hardly every day.
Answer: _____
10. This exercise is difficulter than I expected.
Answer: _____

Exercise 6: Rewrite the Sentences

Complete the second sentence so that it has a similar meaning to the first sentence. Use the word given. Do not change the word given.

1. This test is easier than the one we did yesterday.
DIFFICULT
The test we did yesterday was _____ this one.
2. No student in the class speaks more clearly than Lara.
MOST
Lara speaks _____ in the class.
3. This laptop is not as expensive as my old one.
LESS
This laptop is _____ my old one.
4. I have never read a more interesting story.
MOST
This is _____ I have ever read.

5. He does not drive as carefully as his wife.

MORE

His wife drives _____ he does.

6. This exercise was much easier than I expected.

AS

This exercise was not _____ I expected.

7. Nobody arrived earlier than Ben.

FIRST

Ben was _____ arrive.

8. My new job is better than my old job.

GOOD

My old job was not _____ my new job.

9. I expected her to answer less politely.

MORE

She answered the question _____ I expected.

10. This is the least useful app on my phone.

USEFUL

No app on my phone is _____ this one.

Exercise 7: Complete the Short Text

Put the words in brackets into the correct comparative or superlative adjective or adverb form.

When I first started learning English, grammar seemed much (1) _____ (difficult) than vocabulary. I could remember new words (2) _____ (easy) than rules. However, after a few months, I realised that grammar was not as (3) _____ (confusing) as I had imagined. The (4) _____ (important) thing was to practise regularly. I also noticed that I wrote (5) _____ (carefully) when I planned my sentences first. Now, I can express my ideas (6) _____ (clearly) than before, and writing essays feels much (7) _____ (natural). In fact, comparison is one of the (8) _____ (useful) grammar points for speaking and writing because we use it all the time.

Exercise 8: Speaking or Writing Practice

Answer the questions in complete sentences. Try to use comparative and superlative adjectives and adverbs.

1. Which is more useful for learning English: reading books or watching videos? Why?

Answer: _____

2. What is the most difficult part of English grammar for you?

Answer: _____

3. Do you speak English more confidently now than you did last year?

Answer: _____

4. Which skill do you need to practise more carefully: speaking, writing, listening or reading?

Answer: _____

5. Describe two cities, schools, jobs or hobbies and compare them.

Answer: _____

6. Write three sentences comparing how you study now with how you studied in the past.

Answer: _____

Answer Key

Exercise 1

1. busy -> busier -> the busiest
2. expensive -> more expensive -> the most expensive
3. good -> better -> the best
4. fast -> faster -> the fastest
5. carefully -> more carefully -> the most carefully
6. badly -> worse -> the worst
7. comfortable -> more comfortable -> the most comfortable
8. early -> earlier -> the earliest
9. thin -> thinner -> the thinnest
10. far -> farther/further -> the farthest/furthest

Exercise 2

1. heavier
2. more confidently
3. the best
4. more slowly
5. more spacious
6. earlier
7. the most neatly
8. both are possible
9. harder
10. the most interesting

Exercise 3

1. easier
2. more quickly
3. the worst
4. more carefully
5. more comfortable
6. the fastest

7. clearer / more clear

8. more neatly

9. the most difficult

10. better

11. farther/further

12. less

Exercise 4

1. careful; more carefully

2. quick; more quickly / quicker

3. clear; more clearly

4. quiet; more quietly

5. fluent; more fluently

6. badly; worse

7. polite; more politely

8. good; better

Exercise 5

1. This book is easier than the last one.

2. She speaks English well.

3. He drives more carefully now.

4. This is the cheapest hotel in town.

5. My sister is taller than me.

6. You should answer more quickly in the exam.

7. Today is hotter than yesterday.

8. That was the worst film I have ever seen.

9. He works hard every day.

10. This exercise is more difficult than I expected.

Exercise 6

1. The test we did yesterday was more difficult than this one.

2. Lara speaks the most clearly in the class.

3. This laptop is less expensive than my old one.

4. This is the most interesting story I have ever read.
5. His wife drives more carefully than he does.
6. This exercise was not as difficult as I expected.
7. Ben was the first to arrive.
8. My old job was not as good as my new job.
9. She answered the question more politely than I expected.
10. No app on my phone is less useful than this one.

Exercise 7

1. more difficult
2. more easily
3. confusing
4. most important
5. more carefully
6. more clearly
7. more natural
8. most useful

Exercise 8

Students' own answers. Encourage learners to use comparative and superlative forms accurately and to explain their opinions clearly.