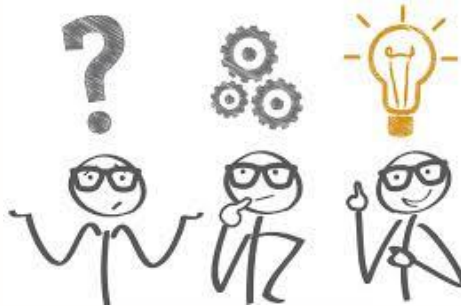


Unit 10a: Comparative adjectives

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More ... than

We compare
nouns that share
the same
adjective

- ✓ My father is taller than my mother.
- ✓ Arequipa is bigger than Trujillo.
- ✓ You are friendlier than your sister.
- ✓ Perú is more interesting than France.
- ✓ A museum is better than an art room.





If there is contrast, it is different

We cannot use comparatives if the contrast is too notorious.

- Is your brother taller than you?

No, I am tall and he is short.

- My apartment has only one bedroom, a bathroom and a living room, but yours has 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms a living room and a dining room. It is big but mine is small.
- Maria is 3 years younger than her sister Ana, they are 13 and 16; but their sister Julia is old, she is 46.

Rules



One syllable adjectives (add -er)

Tall taller

Short shorter

Small smaller

Your dog is **smaller** than my dog,

Is José **taller** than María? Sure, she is 7 cms. **Shorter** than he is.

Adjectives ending in the letter e (add -r)

Nice nicer

Trujillo is **nicer** than arequipa.

Adjectives ending in consonant + vowel + consonant the consonant + -er)

Big bigger

This box is **bigger** than that one only for 15 centimeters.

The syllables in an
adjective is
important

FUN
MORE FUN

(double



ADJECTIVES ENDING IN Y (suppress Y and ad – ier)

FRIENDLY

FRIENDLIER

CRAZY

CRAZIER

FUNNY

FUNNIER

Alisa is friendlier than her brother just at times.

Is your dog funnier than mine?

I guess so, my dog does some more funny things.

IRREGULAR ADJECTIVES

GOOD

BETTER

BAD

WORSE

FAR

FARTHER / FURTHER

My math teacher this year is better than the one last year because he tells more stories so that we can learn.

Do you need further information to get there?

Sure, I'd appreciate it





Adjective with 2 or more syllables



Then we use more + adjective.

BEAUTIFUL

MORE BEAUTIFUL

INTERESTING

MORE INTERESTING

FANTASTIC

MORE FANTASTIC

- ✓ Life in the jungle is **more interesting** than life in the highlands.
- ✓ Who is **more beautiful**, your sister or your cousin?
Well, my sister is more beautiful just for her eyes.
- ✓ This city isn't **more attractive** than my native city because there is only one park.

Remember



We use THAN when the two nouns are mentioned in the sentence.

Your profession is more difficult than mine.

Maria is shorter than Silvia.

I'm not better than my brother at math.



But it can be omitted at times.

Who is taller, your father or you?

I think I am taller, but just for 2 or 3 fingers.

*Thank
you*



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