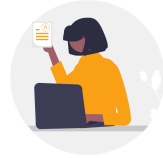


COMPARATIVES

1 THEORY



Task: Study the tables below.

When we compare adjectives, we add:

- “er” to the end of the word.
- “more” before the word.

Comparisons	
One syllable.	Add “er” to the word Fast ---> Faster Slow ---> Slower
Two syllables ending in consonant + “y”.	“Y” ----- > “ier” Heavy --- > Heavier Early --- > Earlier
Two or more syllables.	Add “more” before the word. Dangerous --- > More dangerous.
Irregular.	Bad --- > Worse Good --- > Better Far --- > Further





2 COMPARATIVE FORM

Task: Study the adjectives below, then create the comparative form of the word.

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|----------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Quick | a. Quicker |
| 2. Strong | b. Stronger |
| 3. Smart | c. Smarter |
| 4. Skillful | d. More skillful |
| 5. Brave | e. Braver |
| 6. Creative | f. More creative |
| 7. Hardworking | g. More hardworking |
| 8. Expensive | h. More expensive. |
| 9. Calm | i. Calmer |
| 10. Powerful | j. More powerful |
| 11. Reliable | k. More reliable |
| 12. Successful | l. More successful |
| 13. Talented | m. More talented |
| 14. Famous | n. More famous |
| 15. Confident | o. More confident |
| 16. Important | p. More important |
| 17. Energetic | q. More energetic |
| 18. Lazy | r. Lazier |

3 FIX THE MISTAKES

Can you identify and correct the mistakes in the sentences below?

Be careful, not all sentences contain mistakes.

1. Kylian Mbappé is **quicker** than Harry Kane.
2. Virgil van Dijk is stronger **than** David Silva.
3. Lionel Messi is **more skillful** than any other player on the team.
4. Bruno Fernandes is more creative than anyone else on the pitch.
5. This year's kits are **more expensive** than last year's.
6. In recent years, Manchester City have been **more** successful than Liverpool.
7. N'Golo Kanté is **more** hardworking than many of his teammates.
8. David Beckham is more **famous** than Steven Gerrard.
9. Zlatan Ibrahimović is **more confident** on the field than Alvaro Morata.
10. Harry Kane is more important to England than Harry Maguire.
11. Jordan Henderson is **more** reliable in midfield than Paul Pogba.
12. Mesut Özil was considered to be **lazier** than some of his teammates.



4 CREATE COMPARATIVE SENTENCES

Read the words below, then create comparative sentences. Use the example as a guide.

Example: John / Kate / Small

Answer: John is smaller than Kate.

1. Cristiano Ronaldo / quick / Mohamed Salah
2. Virgil van Dijk / strong / Romelu Lukaku
3. Kevin De Bruyne / smart / Jack Grealish
4. Neymar / skillful / John Terry
5. Jordan Henderson / brave / Manuel Neuer
6. Phil Foden / creative / Sergio Ramos
7. Roberto Firmino / hardworking / Casemiro
8. Real Madrid's new signings / expensive / last year's transfers
9. Pep Guardiola / calm / Diego Simeone
10. Robert Lewandowski / powerful / Cole Palmer
11. Ruben Dias / reliable / John Stones
12. Chelsea FC / successful / Borussia Dortmund
13. Ansu Fati / talented / Joao Felix
14. Liverpool FC / famous / Juventus
15. The team captain / confident / after their recent win
16. The upcoming match / important / the last one
17. Mason Mount / energetic / Marcus Rashford
18. Mario Balotelli / lazy / N'Golo Kanté



5 LIVERPOOL vs. ARSENAL

Task 1: Complete the dialogue by using comparatives correctly.

Darren: Hey, Sam! Did you see the match last night?

Sam: Yeah, I did! Liverpool played a lot **better** (good) than Arsenal. I can't believe they lost.

Darren: That's true. Arsenal were just **more efficient** (efficient) and organised.

Sam: I thought the new striker for Arsenal played well.

Darren: Yes, he's **more creative** (creative) than Havertz.

Sam: I agree, he's also **quicker** (quick) than Havertz.

Darren: The Arsenal goalkeeper had a great game. He made some amazing saves.

Sam: True! He's certainly **more reliable** (reliable) than Liverpool's goalkeeper!

Darren: Overall, it was **more entertaining** (entertaining) than their previous games!

Sam: Definitely! Can't wait for the next one. Anyway, see you later, Darren!

Task 2: Answer the following questions about the text using full sentences.

1. Which played better - Liverpool or Arsenal? **Liverpool.**
2. Which team was more efficient? **Arsenal.**
3. Who is more creative than Havertz? **The new striker.**
4. Who is more reliable than Liverpool's goalkeeper? **Arsenal's goalkeeper.**
5. Does Darren think this game was less entertaining than their previous games? **No, he thinks it was more entertaining.**

Task 3: Complete the following role play task.

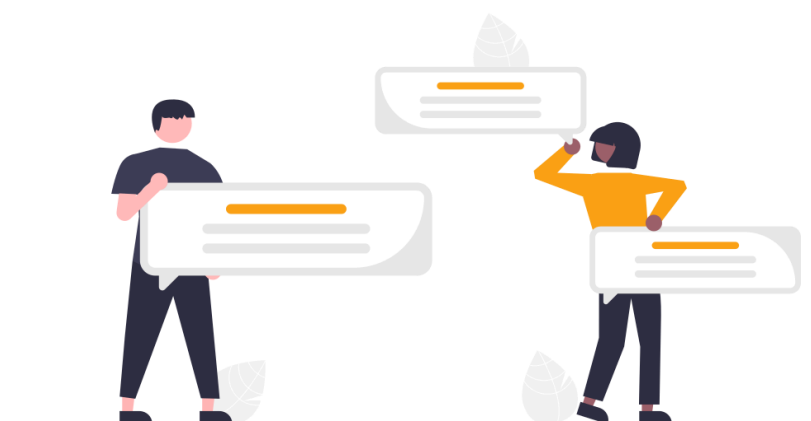
- Work in pairs. Create a dialogue of two people talking about a football match. The dialogue must be a minimum of 8 lines. Use the dialogue above as a guide.

6 COMPARATIVE QUESTIONS

Task: Answer the questions below, using comparatives in your answers.

The answers are open to your interpretation. Be creative and give detail.

1. Who is the better player: Lionel Messi or Cristiano Ronaldo?
2. Which football team do you think is stronger: Bayern Munich or Manchester City?
3. In your opinion, who is smarter on the field: Luka Modric or Kevin De Bruyne? How do they show their intelligence?
4. Who is more skillful, Neymar or Kylian Mbappé?
5. Do you think goalkeepers need to be braver than outfield players? Why or why not?
6. Who do you think works harder during matches: N'Golo Kanté or Paul Pogba? How can you tell?
7. Are modern football kits more expensive than those from past decades? Why do you think this might be?
8. Which team has been more successful in recent years: Real Madrid or Barcelona?
9. Which football club do you consider more famous worldwide: Manchester United or Juventus? Explain.
10. In your opinion, who tends to be lazier: forwards or defenders? Explain.



7 PICTURE ROUND

Task: Compare the pictures using comparative adjectives. Create at least three sentences at each stage. Use the adjectives from this lesson, or research some of your own.

Stage 1:



Old Trafford



Bernabeu

Stage 2:



Messi



Mbappe

Stage 3:



The World Cup



The European Championship



Stage 4:



The Premier League



The Champions League

Stage 5:



Pep Guardiola



Jose Mourinho

Stage 6:



Manchester City's kit



Manchester United's kit





HOMEWORK

1 COMPLETE THE SENTENCES

Task: Create the comparative form to complete the sentences.

1. Mbappe is **quicker** (quick) than Ronaldo.
2. The defender is **stronger** (strong) than any player on the field.
3. Neymar is **more skillful** (skillful) than most players in the league.
4. The goalkeeper is **braver** (brave) than the rest of the team.
5. Iniesta was **more creative** (creative) than any midfielder in the game.
6. This striker is **more expensive** (expensive) than the club's record signing.
7. The goalkeeper stays **calmer** (calm) than anyone else under pressure.
8. Ronaldo's shot is **more powerful** (powerful) than most players'.
9. Henderson is **more reliable** (reliable) than any other in the squad.
10. Manchester City are **more successful** (successful) than Newcastle United.
11. The young forward is **more talented** (talented) than his peers.
12. Beckham is **more famous** (famous) than any other English player.
13. The striker seems **more confident** (confident) than before.
14. For me, this match is **more important** (important) than the Cup final.
15. The midfielder is **more energetic** (energetic) than the others.
16. The winger is **lazier** (lazy) than his teammates.

2 PICTURE ROUND

Task: Compare the pictures using comparative adjectives. Write at least three detailed sentences for each stage. Use the adjectives from the lesson, or research some of your own.

Stage 1:



Nou Camp



Anfield

Stage 2:



Bellingham



Foden

Stage 3:



La Liga



The Bundesliga

