

Tasksheet

COMPARISON OF ADJECTIVES

Groups	Whole Class Tasks	Materials
	1 Read the text and underline all adjectives	WS1
	2 Do the activity	WS 1
teams of two	GRAMMAR: READ AND FIND RULES. THEN UNDERLINE ALL ADJECTIVES YOU FIND IN TEXT "SAVED BY A PIG"	WS 1
	Do the activities on WS 2 and 3	WS 2+3
	Get talking about animals	WS 4
	Listen and check	WS 4
	GRAMMAR: READ AND FIND RULES. THEN UNDERLINE ALL SUPERLATIVES IN EX .12	WS 4
	Do the activities on WS 5,6 and 7	WS 5/6/7
	HOMEWORK	
	STUDY GRAMMAR SHEETS "COMPARISON OF ADJECTIVES" Do the activities	WS 8/9 by Friday,

Saved by a Pig

August 5th, 2004 was a hot day in Worcester. Judith Crowe, her 5-year-old son Jeff and their little pig Bacon went swimming in the river near their home. Bacon was a very good swimmer. In fact, he was better than Jeff.

Judith and her son played and swam in the water for an hour. All the time Bacon was with them. Then Jeff's mother got out of the water to get a towel. "Stay here for a minute," she said. When she turned round, she saw Jeff in the middle of the river. The water was deeper and more dangerous there. He was in trouble. Jeff's mother jumped into the water and started to swim.

But Bacon was faster than Judith and got to the boy first.



The little boy put his arms around the pig. But he was bigger than the pig and he was heavier. The boy and the pig both disappeared under the water.

Jeff's mother didn't know what to do. Then suddenly she saw the little pig again. Jeff was on the pig's back. Her son was safe.

WS
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2 Find the three incorrect sentences and correct them.

- | | |
|----------------------------------|---|
| 1 It was a hot day in Worcester. | 4 They played and swam for two hours. |
| 2 Jeff was 5 years old. | 5 Judith got out of the water to get a drink. |
| 3 They went swimming in the sea. | 6 The pig and Jeff disappeared under the water. |

Grammar Comparatives

Wenn du zwei Dinge vergleichst, die verschieden sind, dann verwendest du das Wort **than**. An die englischen Eigenschaftswörter mit einer Silbe (*fast/slow/ deep/old/usw.*) hängst du **er** an.
He's **older than** me.
She's **faster than** me.

Bei manchen Eigenschaftswörtern verändert sich jedoch die Rechtschreibung: *hot / big / fat, etc.* – It's **hotter** today than yesterday.

heavy / angry / hungry, etc. – Joe's **heavier than** me.

An die englischen Eigenschaftswörter mit zwei Silben, die auf *-y, -le* und *ow* enden (*happy, simple, narrow*) hängst du ebenfalls **-er** an.

Wenn das Eigenschaftswort mehr als zwei Silben hat, dann verwendest du **more + adjective** (*dangerous / difficult / interesting, usw.*)
The book is **more interesting than** the film.

Ausnahmen:

good – **better**
He was **better than** Jeff.
bad – **worse**
I'm bad at football, but he's **worse than** me!

Grammar as ... as

Wenn du sagen willst, dass zwei Dinge (Tiere, Personen) gleich groß, klein usw. sind, dann verwendest du **as ... as**

It was **as small as** a mouse.
It was **as dangerous as** a snake.

Wenn du sagen willst, dass ein Ding (Tier, Person) nicht so (groß, klein usw.) ist wie ein(e) andere(s) Ding (Tier, Person), dann verwendest du **not as ... as**

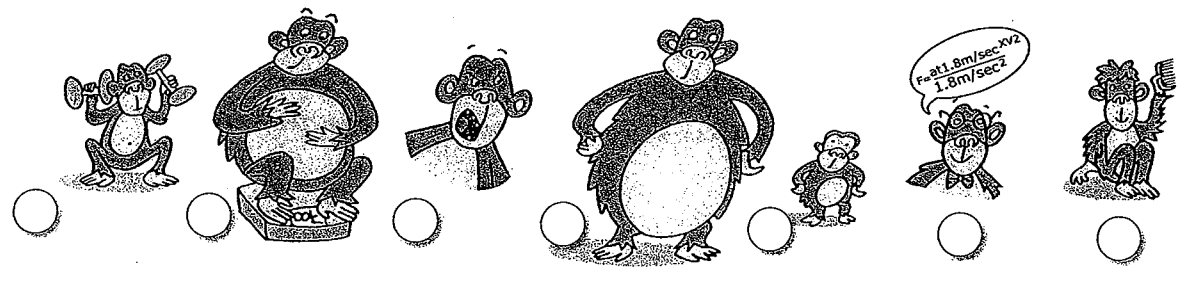
It **wasn't as friendly as** the Ruckle.

3 Look back at the story. Ask and answer questions in pairs.

- 1 Why did Judith and Jeff go swimming?
- 2 Why did Jeff's mother get out of the water?
- 3 Why was the water more dangerous in the middle?
- 4 Why did Bacon arrive at the boy first?
- 5 Why did the boy and the pig disappear under the water?

Vocabulary Adjectives

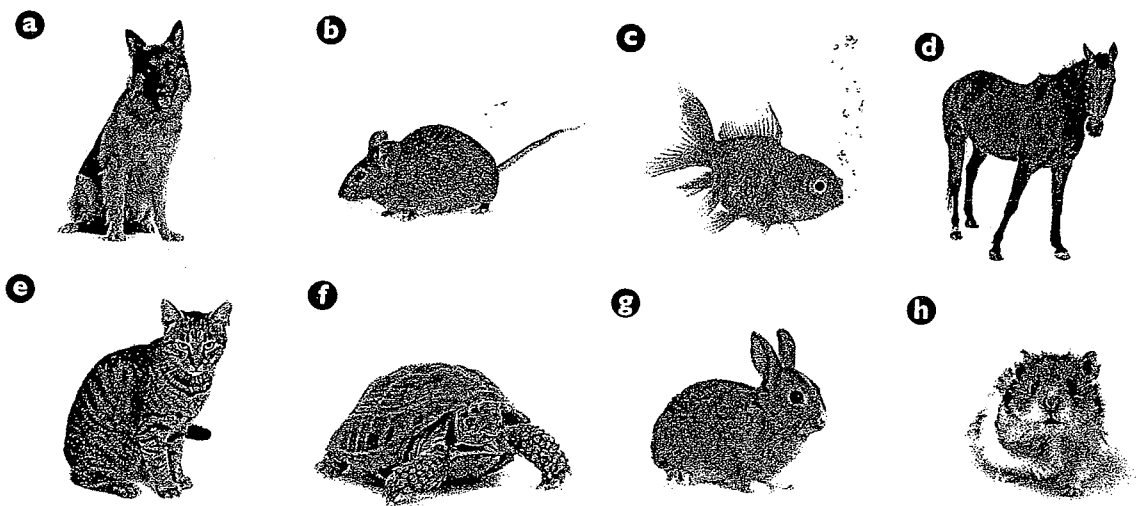
4 Match the pictures with the adjectives. Write the numbers.



- 1 small 2 strong 3 hairy 4 clever 5 heavy 6 big 7 dangerous

Get talking A guessing game

5 Choose one of the animals. Make sentences using comparatives. Your partner guesses what animal it is. Use the words in the box in 4 to help you.



A It's bigger than a mouse.

B Is it a guinea pig?


A No, it's heavier than a guinea pig.

B Is it a rabbit?

A That's right.

6 Read the gaming cards for these animals from Atlantis.

WS(3)




ANIMALS OF ATLANTIS
THE RUCKLE

The Ruckle was very exotic. It was half animal and half bird but it didn't fly. It was as big as a rabbit. It was very friendly and many Atlantians had them for pets.



ANIMALS OF ATLANTIS
THE BUGBOY

The Bugboy was a small reptile. It was as small as a mouse but it was as dangerous as a snake. In fact, it was as poisonous as a blue ring octopus. Every year, hundreds of people died from its bite.

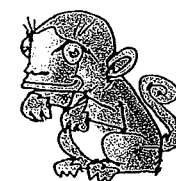


ANIMALS OF ATLANTIS
THE SNAPKLE

The Snapkle was a kind of dragon. It lived in the mountains outside of Atlantis. It was as big as an elephant. But it wasn't as beautiful as an elephant. In fact, it was very ugly.

7 Read the cards again and circle T (True) or F (False).

- 1 Atlantians had Ruckles in their homes. T / F
- 2 The Hipcop was friendlier than the Ruckle. T / F
- 3 The Snapkle was bigger than an elephant. T / F
- 4 The Bugboy was a kind of octopus. T / F
- 5 The Hipcop wasn't as clever as a chimpanzee. T / F
- 6 The Bugboy wasn't very dangerous. T / F
- 7 The Ruckle was bigger than a rabbit. T / F
- 8 The Snapkle was a beautiful animal. T / F



ANIMALS OF ATLANTIS
THE HIPCOP

The Hipcop wasn't as friendly as the Ruckle but it was also a popular pet. It was as clever as a chimpanzee.

9 Read the magazine article. Can you complete it with the missing numbers? Then listen and check.

150 2 8 3 110 1 3

The most
**Amazing
Animals**
in the world

The Estuarine crocodiles of Southeast Asia are the longest crocodiles in the world. They can be as long as long as two cars together.

The bumble bee bat from Thailand is the smallest mammal in the world. It is very small and weighs only 2 grams.

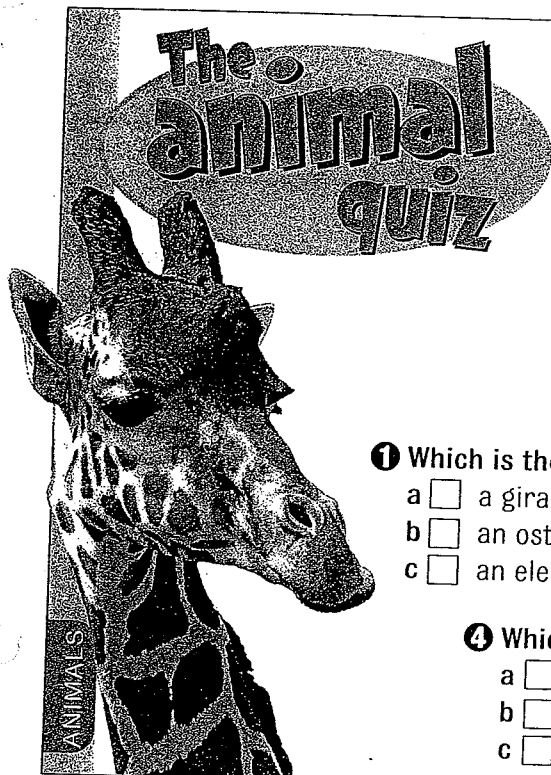
The world's most poisonous snake, the taipan, lives in the deserts of Australia. It can be more than 1.5 metres long.

The most dangerous animal in the world is the mosquito. It can carry malaria. Every year more than 6 million people worldwide die from malaria.

The biggest animal on land or in the sea is the blue whale. It is also the heaviest. It weighs 150 tons.

The fastest land animal in the world is the cheetah. It can run very fast, more than 110 km/h.

- 12 Put the animals in order. Write 1, 2 and 3 in the boxes.



- 1 Which is the tallest?
 a a giraffe
 b an ostrich
 c an elephant
- 2 Which is the longest?
 a an anaconda
 b a whale shark
 c a crocodile
- 3 Which is the fastest?
 a an antelope
 b a lion
 c a rabbit
- 4 Which is the most intelligent?
 a a dolphin
 b a pig
 c a chimpanzee
- 5 Which is the heaviest?
 a a blue whale
 b an elephant
 c a rhino

A I think the elephant is the tallest.

B I don't think so. I think the ...



- 13 Listen and check.

Grammar Superlatives

Wenn du ausdrücken willst, dass etwas am größten, schwersten, schnellsten usw. ist, hängst du *est* an das Adjektiv an:

fast / slow / deep / old, etc. – The cheetah is **the fastest** mammal in the world.

Bei einigen Adjektiven ändert sich die Schreibung:

hot / big / fat, etc. – The blue whale is **the biggest** animal in the world.

heavy / angry / hungry, etc. – The blue whale is **the heaviest** animal in the world.

Bei Adjektiven, die aus drei oder mehr Silben bestehen, verwendest du *the most* + Adjektiv:

dangerous / interesting, etc. – The mosquito is **the most dangerous** animal in the world.

Ausnahmen:

good – **the best** She's **the best** player in the team.

bad – **the worst** It's **the worst** restaurant in town.

Grammar Comparatives

Complete with the comparative form of the adjectives.

- 1 **A** The pizza at Tony's is (good) than the pizza at Little Italy.
B You're right.
- 2 **A** It's very hot today.
B Yes, but it was much (hot) yesterday.
- 3 **A** My bag is (heavy) than yours.
B Well, I'm not carrying so many books around.
- 4 **A** A Ferrari is (fast) than a Porsche.
B True, and it's (expensive) than a Porsche.
- 5 **A** How much (old) than you is your brother?
B Three years. He was fifteen in June.
- 6 **A** I really like our new gym¹. It's much (big) than the old one.
B That's true, but the old one was (good).

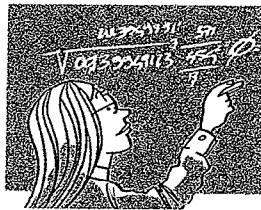
Glossary: ¹gym (gymnasium) = Turnsaal/Turnhalle

5 Write the adjectives under the pictures.

strong
heavy
friendly
big
small
dangerous
hairy
clever



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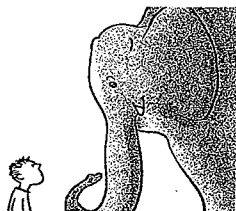
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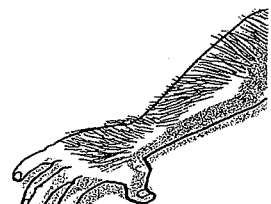
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Grammar (not) as ... as

Complete B's answers. Use the same adjective as A.

- 1 **A** I don't think squash is exciting. **B** Really? I think *it's as exciting as* tennis.
- 2 **A** I don't think rabbits are cute. **B** Really? I think hamsters.
- 3 **A** I don't think spiders are scary. **B** Really? I think snakes.
- 4 **A** I don't think your dog is clever. **B** Really? I think your cat!
- 5 **A** I don't think this DVD is good. **B** Really? I think the other one.
- 6 **A** I don't think you're very strong. **B** Really? I think you!

Complete the text. Use **as ... as** or **comparative adjectives**.

WS 6

- A** I see you've got all the *Harry Potter* books. What do you think of them?
- B** I really like all the *Harry Potter* books. I've read them all. I think that *The Chamber of Secrets* is a ¹..... (good) book than *The Order of the Phoenix*. *The Chamber of Secrets* is ²..... (interesting) and ³..... (exciting) than *The Order of the Phoenix*. And *The Order of the Phoenix* is much ⁴..... (long).
- A** What do you think of the films?

- B** Well, *The Philosopher's Stone* film isn't ⁵..... (good) the book. I really like the books much ⁶..... (good) than the films.
- A** Tell me more about the books.
- B** Well, *The Goblet of Fire* was ⁷..... (good) *The Chamber of Secrets*. And *The Chamber of Secrets* was ⁸..... (exciting) *The Prisoner of Azkaban*.
- A** So what should I read?
- B** Start at the beginning with *The Philosopher's Stone*.

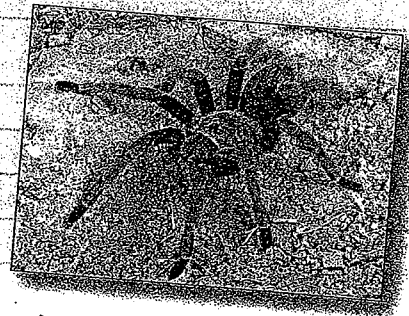
Ricky's safari trip

Last year we went on safari to Africa. It was great - we saw lots of brilliant birds and animals. I really liked the rhino that we saw one day - it was very big (about 1.5m high) and I'm sure it was really heavy, too. The guide said that sometimes a rhino can weigh 2,000 kilograms! But I wasn't scared. My father told me that rhinos aren't very dangerous animals. Rhinos are almost blind and so they can't see well. There were lots of small grey and white birds on the rhinoceros's back. I think the birds eat very small insects from the rhino's skin.



Later the same day we saw some baboons! There was a big family of them. I thought they looked nice and friendly, but we didn't go very close. You have to be careful, because male baboons are strong and they aren't very friendly! Some people think baboons are very intelligent too. I don't know about that, but I'm sure they're more intelligent than rhinos!

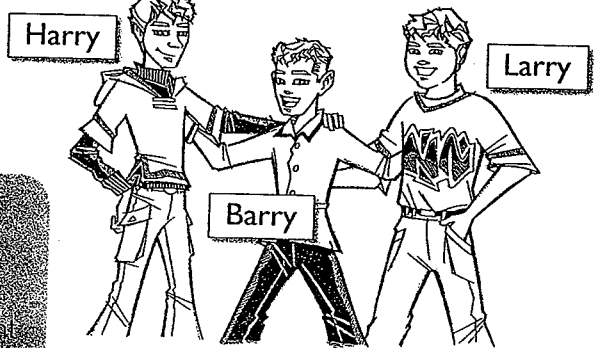
At the end of the day, when we went back to the hotel - guess what? In my parents' room there was a big, black, hairy tarantula! My father was really scared, but my mother just picked it up and put it outside. My mum's really cool!



- 1 Ricky liked the rhino.
- 2 Rhinos are very dangerous animals.
- 3 Rhinos can't see very well.
- 4 They went very close to the baboons.
- 5 Male baboons are strong and friendly.
- 6 Ricky is sure that rhinos are not as intelligent as baboons.
- 7 The tarantula was in Ricky's bedroom at the hotel.
- 8 Ricky's mother put the tarantula outside.

- T / F
T / F
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Harry, Larry and Barry are brothers – triplet



tall
old
heavy
intelligent
short
young
slow
fast

	Harry	Barry	Larry
born	02/02/90 10.20am	02/02/90 10.50am	02/02/90 11.40am
last school grade	All 'C's	All 'B's	All 'A's
weight	70kg	63kg	73kg
running 100m	12.5 seconds	18 seconds	14.6 seconds

- 1 Harry is the tallest. 5
- 2 6
- 3 7
- 4 8

Grammar Superlatives

Write the words in the correct order to make sentences.

- 1 is / Today / yesterday. / colder / than
Today is colder than yesterday.
- 2 coldest / Yesterday / of the year. / the / was / day
.....
- 3 is / snakes / one of / the / cobra / The / most / in the world. / poisonous
.....
- 4 than / are / Ostriches / people. / faster
.....
- 5 are / Gorillas / chimpanzees. / than / bigger
.....
- 6 longest / Asian pythons / the / world. / the / are / snakes / in
.....
- 7 is / best / animals. / book / the / This / about
.....
- 8 the / world? / dangerous / What's / animal / in / most / the
.....

Answer the questions for you.

- 1 Who is the tallest person in your family?
.....
- 2 What is the best thing in your bedroom?
.....
- 3 What is the heaviest thing in your house or flat?
.....
- 4 What is the most expensive thing in your house?
.....
- 5 What is the most interesting animal in the world?
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WS (7)

- 1 The Eiffel Tower isn't as tall as the Empire State Building.
- 2 The River Nile isn't as long as the River Amazon.
- 3 There aren't as many people in Switzerland as in Austria.
- 4 There aren't as many lakes in Finland as in Germany.
- 5 The blue ring octopus isn't as dangerous as the mosquito.
- 6 The Estuarine crocodile isn't as long as the Taipan snake.
- 7 Elephants aren't as heavy as blue whales.
- 8 Austria isn't as big as Hungary.

1 True. The Eiffel Tower is 300 metres tall and the Empire State Building is 381 metres tall. 2 Not true. It is generally agreed that the Nile is longer. 3 True. In Switzerland there are more than 7 million people and in Austria there are a bit more than 8 million. 4 Not true. Finland has more lakes. There are almost 200,000 of them. 5 True. Mosquito bites kill far more people than the bite of the small octopus. 6 Not true. The Estuarine crocodile is much longer. 7 True. The blue whale is the heaviest animal in the world. 8 True. Hungary is bigger than Austria.

Write sentences with as ... as

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|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 Athens is older than Rome. | Rome <u>isn't as old as Athens</u> |
| 2 My room is bigger than yours. | Your room isn't |
| 3 You got up earlier than me. | I didn't |
| 4 We played better than them. | They |
| 5 I've been here longer than you. | You |
| 6 She's more nervous than him. | He |

Write as or than.

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1 Athens is older <u>than</u> Rome. | 5 Joe isn't as intelligent he thinks. |
| 2 I don't watch TV as much you. | 6 Belgium is smaller Switzerland. |
| 3 You eat more me. | 7 Brazil isn't as big Canada. |
| 4 I'm more tired today I was yesterday. | 8 I can't wait longer an hour. |

Complete the sentences about Julia, Andy and Laura. Use the same age / the same street etc.



I'm 22.
I live in Hill Street.
I got up at 7.15.
I haven't got a car.

Julia



I'm 24.
I live in Baker Street.
I got up at 7.15.
My car is dark blue.

Andy



I'm 24.
I live in Hill Street.
I got up at 7.45.
I've got a car. It's dark blue.

Laura

- (age) Andy is the same age as Laura
- (street) Julia lives
- (time) Julia got up
- (colour) Andy's

Write sentences about Liz and Ben. Use than.



Liz

- I'm 26.
- I'm not a very good swimmer.
- I'm 1 metre 68 tall.
- I start work at 8 o'clock.
- I don't work very hard.
- I haven't got much money.
- I'm a very good driver.
- I'm not very patient.
- I'm not a very good dancer.
- I'm very intelligent.
- I speak French very well.
- I don't go to the cinema very much.

Ben



- I'm 24.
- I'm a very good swimmer.
- I'm 1 metre 63 tall.
- I start work at 8.30.
- I work very hard.
- I've got a lot of money.
- I'm not a very good driver.
- I'm very patient.
- I'm a good dancer.
- I'm not very intelligent.
- I don't speak French very well.
- I go to the cinema a lot.

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|---|------------------|
| 1 Liz <u>is older than Ben</u> | 7 Liz is a |
| 2 Ben <u>is a better swimmer than Liz</u> | 8 Ben |
| 3 Liz is | 9 Ben |
| 4 Liz starts Ben. | 10 Liz |
| 5 Ben | 11 Liz |
| 6 Ben has got | 12 Ben |

Complete the sentences. Use than.

- He isn't very tall. You're taller than him (OR taller than he is)
- She isn't very old. You're
- I don't work very hard. You work
- He doesn't watch TV very much. You
- I'm not a very good cook. You
- We don't know many people. You
- They haven't got much money. You
- I can't run very fast. You can
- She hasn't been here very long. You
- They didn't get up very early. You

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Setze die richtigen Formen des Adjektivs und „than“, „as – as“, oder „not as/so – as“ ein:

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WS 9

1. Before tests Jill is _____ (genauso nervös wie) Tim.
2. She is _____ (schneller als) her brother.
3. Brenda is _____ (viel besser als) I am.
4. The tree is _____ (höher als) our house.
5. My bike is _____ (nicht so teuer wie) your bike.
6. He called me _____ (zur selben Zeit wie) yesterday.
7. The bus stop was _____ (nicht so weit weg wie) I thought.
8. She has got _____ (mehr Zeit als) I have.
9. Today I'm _____ (glücklicher als) yesterday.
10. He earns _____ (weniger als) last year.
11. We have got _____ (das gleiche Auto wie) my uncle.
12. Pete was _____ (ein bisschen klüger als) you.
13. The test was _____ (nicht so schwierig wie) I feared.
14. Chinese is _____ (genauso schwierig wie) Japanese.
15. Your homework will take you _____ (weniger als) twenty minutes.
16. Mrs Jones looks _____ (viel jünger als) she is.
17. She has got _____ (weniger Zeit als) last year.
18. Paul's party was _____ (besser als) Sebastian's.
19. A Ferrari is _____ (teurer als) than a VW.
20. Tony's suitcase is _____ (schwerer als) Molly's.
21. Vienna is almost (= beinahe) _____ (so berühmt wie) New York.
22. My brother is _____ (größer als) me although (= obwohl) he is _____ (jünger als) me.
23. This year you are making _____ (weniger Fehler als) last year.
24. Painting the room will take you _____ (mehr als) two hours.
25. Going by train is sometimes _____ (schneller als) going by car.
26. Bungee jumping is _____ (gefährlicher als) snowboarding.
27. I get _____ (genau so viel Taschengeld wie) my best friend.
28. Lucy's father is American and her mother is Austrian. Her English is _____ (genau so gut wie) her German.
29. Today my toothache is _____ (schlechter als) yesterday.

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1. Before tests Jill is as nervous as Tim.
2. She is faster than her brother.
3. Brenda is much better than I am.
4. The tree is higher than our house.
5. My bike is not so expensive as your bike.
6. He called me at the same time as yesterday.
7. The bus stop was not so far away as I thought.
8. She has got more time than I have.
9. Today I'm happier than yesterday.
10. He earns less than last year.
11. We have got the same car as my uncle.
12. Pete was a bit cleverer/smarter than you.
13. The test was not so difficult as I feared.
14. Chinese is as difficult as Japanese.
15. Your homework will take you less than twenty minutes.
16. Mrs. Jones looks much younger than she is.
17. She has got less time than last year.
18. Paul's party was better than Sebastian's.
19. A Ferrari is more expensive than a VW.
20. Tony's suitcase is heavier than Molly's.
21. Vienna is almost as famous as New York.
22. My brother is taller than me although he is younger than me.
23. This year you are making fewer mistakes than last year.
24. Painting the room will take you more than two hours.
25. Going by train is sometimes faster than going by car.
26. Bungee jumping is more dangerous than snowboarding.
27. I get as much pocket money as my best friend.
28. Lucy's father is American and her mother is Austrian. Her English is as good as her German.
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