

G comparative adjectives and adverbs, as...as

V types of numbers

P /a/

## 1 VOCABULARY types of numbers

## a Circle the correct way of saying the numbers.

- Nearly  $\frac{3}{4}$  of students in our class say they are impatient.  
three-fourths / three-quarters
- Research shows 47% of web users wait for two seconds or less for a page to load.  
forty-seven per cent / forty-seven per cents
- More than 5,000 homes in our town now have super-fast broadband.  
five thousands / five thousand
- A BMW M3 can go from 0-60 in 4.3 seconds.  
four point three / four dot three
- There are over 1,850 trees in the park.  
eighteen fifty / one thousand eight hundred and fifty
- The population of our city is 210,000.  
two hundred ten thousand / two hundred and ten thousand

## b Complete the sentences in two ways: in a with a number and in b with the exact words you would use.

- New Year's Day is on January  
a 1st.  
b the first.
- Half of 56 is  
a 28  
b twenty-eight
- Is 0.75 the same as  $\frac{1}{2}$ ?  
a No, it's the same as  $\frac{3}{4}$   
b No, it's the same as three-quarters
- Half of 3,500 is  
a 1750  
b one thousand seven hundred and fifty
- As a percentage,  $\frac{1}{2}$  is  
a 50%  
b fifty per cent

## 2 GRAMMAR comparative adjectives and adverbs, as...as

## a Circle the correct words.

- I only have 20 minutes for lunch, so I always eat quick / quickly.
- I lived in Dubai for ten years, so I speak Arabic fluent / fluently.
- The meal was very good / well, but it was very expensive.
- When you've finished writing your article, go back and check it careful / carefully.
- It's easy / easily to lose weight if you do lots of exercise.
- It was a great holiday, but we had really bad / badly weather.
- I've met Matt a few times, but I don't know him good / well.
- I really like our new teacher because she explains everything very clear / clearly.

## b Complete the sentences with a correct comparative adjective or adverb.

- My new boss is more patient than my old one. (patient)
- We aren't in a hurry. You can drive a bit more slowly. (slow)
- The summers here are hotter than they were in the past. (hot)
- I failed the exam. I'll work harder next time. (hard)
- It's further to my parents' house than it is to my boyfriend's. (far)
- My husband is a better cook than me. (good)
- A motorbike is more dangerous than a car. (dangerous)
- You type more quickly than me. (quick)

c Rewrite the sentences with **as...as**.

- My new car goes faster than my old one.  
My old car doesn't go as fast as my new one.
- Her shoes were more expensive than her handbag.  
Her handbag wasn't as expensive as her shoes.
- My sister's office is bigger than mine.  
My office isn't as big as my sister's office.
- Spain played better than Germany.  
Germany didn't play as well as Spain.
- You drive more carefully than me.  
I don't drive as carefully as you.
- Harry looks more relaxed than Sally.  
Sally doesn't look as relaxed as Harry.

d Look at the chart comparing life today and five years ago. Complete the sentences.

Daily life in numbers		
	Five years ago	Today
1 	£85 per week	£112 per week
2 	876 per 1,000 people	1,045 per 1,000 people
3 	£24,000	£15,000
4 	10/year	8/year
5 	68 minutes/day	74 minutes/day
6 	39%	38%

- expensive** Food is more expensive than it was five years ago.
- popular** Phones are more popular than they were five years ago.
- expensive** Electric cars aren't as expensive as they were five years ago.
- small** Cinema audiences are smaller than they were five years ago.
- bad** The traffic is worse than it was five years ago.
- happy** People are less happy than they were five years ago.



### 3 PRONUNCIATION /ə/

a Circle the /ə/ sounds in these words and phrases.

- busier
- not as old as
- better
- as good as
- more than
- quicker

b 5.1 Listen and check. Then listen again and repeat the words and phrases.

c Read the sentences and look at the **bold** letters. Circle the /ə/ sounds.

- The 10.15 train's **u**ch faster **er** than the 9.55.
- His last book **wasn't** as good **as** his first one.
- I'm bus**er** th**an** I was **last** year.
- It's cheap**er** to buy that kind **of** thing online.
- I don't spend **as** much time **wor**k**ing** **as** before.
- This test isn't **as** easy **as** it looks.

d 5.2 Listen and check. Then listen again and repeat the sentences.



**G** superlatives (+ ever + present perfect)    **V** describing a town or city    **P** sentence stress

**1 VOCABULARY** describing a town or city

- a Complete the email with words from the list. Use the map to help you.

coast east medium-sized north River south west

Hi Claire,

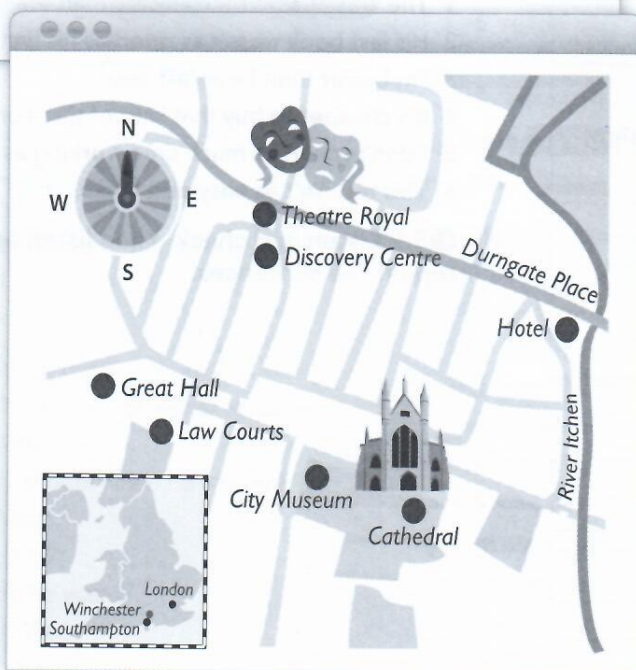
Sorry, I'm going to be away when you visit, but I hope you and the family have a great weekend here in Winchester. Here are a few ideas and a [link](#) to a map.

The cathedral is our main tourist attraction; it's in the <sup>1</sup>south of the city, and it's really lovely. There's a good museum near there, too. There are some other great places to see in the <sup>2</sup>west of the city, like the Law Courts and the Great Hall. In the evening, you can usually see something at the Theatre Royal, which is in the <sup>3</sup>north of the city, near the Discovery Centre. Your hotel is in the <sup>4</sup>east of the city, near Durgate Place. It's a quiet area, and the hotel has a good view of the <sup>5</sup>River Itchen. It's a <sup>6</sup>medium-sized hotel, with about 50 rooms.

I don't know if you want to go to the beach, but it's very easy.  
The <sup>7</sup> cost is only about 20 minutes by train.

Have a great time!

Sarah



- b Complete the sentences with the opposite of the adjectives in brackets.

- 1 Sydney has a lot of modern buildings. (historic)
- 2 Los Angeles is a polluted city. (clean)
- 3 New York is a safe city these days. (dangerous)
- 4 Mumbai is a very noisy city. (quiet)
- 5 What's the most boring city you've ever been to? (interesting)
- 6 The subway in Tokyo is very crowded. (empty)

- c Complete the puzzle and find the name of a city.



1	M	O	S	Q	U	E		
		2	c	h	u	r	c	h
3	m	u	s	e	u	m		
4	h	a	r	b	o	u	r	
5	l	a	k	e				
			6	c	a	s	t	



- d Look at the holiday photos and complete the texts with the missing words. Use plurals where necessary.



- 1 This was in Dubrovnik. We walked around the city walls in the morning, bought some fruit for lunch at the market, and then we walked to the top of the hill to get an amazing view of the city and the sea.
- 2 This is a photo of a famous bridge over one of the canals in Venice – it goes from the palace to a prison on the other side.
- 3 This is a place called Sukhothai in Thailand – these ruins are next to a beautiful lake, and you can see all sorts of lovely temples and statues as you walk around.

## 2 GRAMMAR superlatives (+ ever + present perfect)

- a Complete the conversations with the superlative form of the adjective in brackets.

- 1 A What was the best part of your trip to Rio? (good)  
B The carnival, definitely.
- 2 A What were the people like in Canada?  
B They were the friendliest people I've ever met. (friendly)
- 3 A Is it really dangerous to go out at night in this city?  
B Yes. The safest place to be is here in the hotel. (safe)
- 4 A What was the hotel like?  
B Really awful. And it was in the least attractive part of the city. (less / attractive)

- 5 A Is August a good time to visit the south of Sri Lanka?  
B No, that's the wettest time of year. (wet)
- 6 A What's the furthest you have ever driven? (far)  
B I once drove from Calais to Bordeaux in a day.

- b Write sentences with the superlative + ever. Use contractions where possible.

- 1 He / rude person / I / meet  
He's the rudest person I've ever met.
- 2 It / beautiful building / we / see  
It is the most beautiful building we have ever seen
- 3 That / expensive thing / I / buy  
That is the most expensive thing I have ever bought
- 4 It / good photo / you / take  
It is the best photo you have ever taken
- 5 That / bad flight / we / have  
That is the worst flight we have ever had

- c Write questions with the superlative + ever.

- 1 What / beautiful city / you / be to?  
What's the most beautiful city you've ever been to?
- 2 What / bad hotel / you / stay in?  
What is the worst hotel you have ever stayed in?
- 3 What / good holiday / you / have?  
What is the best holiday you have ever had?
- 4 What / interesting museum / you / visit?  
What is the most interesting museum you have ever visited?
- 5 What / nice restaurant / you / be to?  
What is the nicest restaurant you have ever been to?

- d Answer questions 1–5 in c about you.

- 1 The most beautiful city I've ever been to is Saint-Petersburg
- 2 The worst hotel I've ever stayed in is "Siesta"
- 3 The best holiday I've ever had is travel to Sheregash
- 4 The most interesting museum I have ever visited is Hermitage
- 5 The nicest restaurant I have ever been to is cheese factory

## 3 PRONUNCIATION sentence stress

- a 5.3 Listen and write five questions.

- 1 What's the most romantic city you've ever been to?
- 2 What's the sunniest film you have ever seen?
- 3 What's the most famous building you have ever seen?
- 4 What's the most interesting thing you have learnt this year?
- 5 What's the best meal you have ever had?

- b 5.3 Listen again and repeat the questions. Copy the rhythm.



# 1 VOCABULARY health and the body

a Order the letters to make words that complete the sentences.

- 1 A dentist looks after your (ttee) teeth.
- 2 Exercise helps to keep your (esslucm) muscles strong.
- 3 Doing exercise every day can cut the risk of a (earth) heart attack.
- 4 Drinking a lot of alcohol is bad for your (viler) liver.
- 5 You can lose a lot of (dobo) blood if you cut your hand badly.
- 6 If you have a skiing accident, you can easily break a (nobe) bone.

b Complete the sentences with a word from a. Use plurals where necessary.

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- 1 Most parts of your body can repair themselves, but your teeth can't.



- 2 Your liver cleans your body of alcohol and caffeine.



- 3 The bones in your legs are very strong.



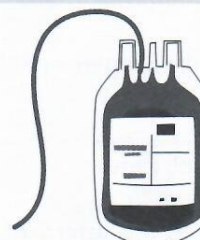
- 4 You use 17 muscles in your face when you smile.



- 5 In an average lifetime, your heart beats 2.5 billion times.



- 6 There are about 5 litres of blood in an adult body.





## 2 GRAMMAR quantifiers, too, (not) enough

a Complete the sentences with *a few*, *a little*, *much*, *many*, or *a lot of*.

- Max is quite overweight because he eats a lot of chocolate.
- Excuse me! Can I ask you a few questions about your diet?
- How many pieces of fruit do you eat a day?
- How much sugar do you have in your coffee?
- Could I have a little more tea, please?
- I watch a lot of TV – usually four or five hours a day.
- a little sunshine is good for you, but no more than 15 minutes a day.
- I only drink a few cups of coffee a day – maybe two or three.

b Match 1–6 to a–f to make sentences.

- The problem with your diet is that you eat c
- You're probably having problems sleeping because you drink d
- If you want to lose weight, make sure you do e
- I don't like the gym because there are f
- I know I need to do more exercise, but when I finish work, I'm just a
- Jason's dad had a heart attack, but luckily they got to the hospital b

- ~~a too tired.~~  
~~b early enough.~~  
~~c too much sugar.~~  
~~d too much coffee late at night.~~  
~~e enough exercise.~~  
~~f too many people and not enough machines.~~

c Rewrite the sentences with the words in brackets.

- You need to do more exercise. (enough)  
You don't do enough exercise.
- You need to drink less beer. (too much)  
You drink too much beer.
- You go to bed too late. (early enough)  
You don't go to bed early enough.
- Are you getting all the sleep that you need? (enough)  
Are you getting enough sleep?
- You need to stop eating all those biscuits – they're bad for your teeth. (too many)  
You eat too many biscuits.
- I think my diet includes the right amount of fruit and vegetables. (enough)  
I think I eat enough fruit and vegetables.

## 3 PRONUNCIATION /ʌ/

a Tick (✓) the word that has an /ʌ/ sound.



- |           |   |        |   |
|-----------|---|--------|---|
| 1 cut     | ✓ | put    |   |
| 2 muscle  | ✓ | cute   |   |
| 3 through |   | enough | ✓ |
| 4 food    |   | blood  | ✓ |
| 5 none    | ✓ | bone   |   |

b 5.4 Listen and check. Then listen again and repeat the words.

c Circle the TWO **bold** letters in each sentence that have an /ʌ/ sound.

- Did it hurt when you **cut** your **thumb**?
- Being in hospital **wasn't** **much** **fun**.
- I like to give **blood** every **few** **months**.
- We all need to **get** **enough** **sun**.
- I don't really **do** **much** **running**.

d 5.5 Listen and check. Then listen again and repeat the sentences.

