# The more..., the more + Comparatives

- This structure is mainly used for expressing cause and effect or for comparison. https://github.com/mr-Ucar/2023-2024
- The more you listen to podcasts, the more you improve at English.
- The more I work out, the more I improve my muscles and feel stronger.

# Example Sentences with the Structure "The more..., the more + Comparatives"

#### THE MORE ..., THE MORE

- The more you study, the more you learn.
- The more I see her, the more I like her.
- The more help we give them, the more they request.
- The more I watch my diet, the more weight I put on.
- **The more** money he makes, **the more** expensive things he buys.
- The more we work, the more we earn.

#### THE MORE ..., THE LESS

- The more I read, the less I remember.
- The more the sales assistant explains, the less I understand.
- The more food I see, the less appetite I have.
- The more we spend, the less we save.
- The more I worry, the less I sleep.
- **The more** she flatters me, **the less** I tend to believe her.

#### THE LESS ... THE MORE

- The less we spend, the more we save.
- The less people listen, the more impatient they become.
- The less I concentrate, the more I forget.
- The less we worry, the more relaxed we become.
- The less he sees people, the more isolated he becomes.
- The less you exercise, the more weight you put on.

#### **ADJECTIVES**

- The older we grow, the wiser we become.
- The higher you climb, the colder it gets.
- The younger you begin to learn a language, the easier it is.
- The angrier the teacher is, the worse I feel.
- The darker the berry, the juicier it is.
- The brighter the sun, the happier people feel.

#### **ADVERBS**

- The more carefully you plan, the better the result will be.
- The more quickly a car is driven, the more likely it is to cause an accident.
- The harder you work, the more rapidly you will obtain results.
- The more hurriedly something is done, the more easily mistakes are made.
- The faster you walk, the more quickly you will arrive.

#### **NOUNS**

- The more money a person has, the more privilege they enjoy.
- The more ideas you have, the more projects you will develop.
- The more orders we receive, the more goods we manufacture.
- The more sales he makes, the more commission he earns.
- The more furniture | buy, the more space | need.

#### **SHORT FORM**

- How do you like your coffee? **The stronger** the better.
- What price range are you interested in? **The cheaper** the better.
- What time would you like me to come? **The earlier** the better.
- What sort of presentation should I prepare? **The shorter** *the better*!
- Can I bring a friend? Sure. **The more** the merrier!

### Grammar in context the..., the...

## + comparatives

The bigger the animal, the more problems you have.

The harder and more resistant the cup is, the stronger your relationship is.

Use the + comparative adjective or adverb, or the more / less (+ noun) to show that one thing depends on another, e.g.

- The earlier we start, the sooner we'll finish. = If we start early, we'll finish early.
- The more money you spend now, the less you'll have for your holiday. = If you spend a lot of money now, you'll have less for your holiday.

# Rewrite the sentences using the..., the... + comparative.

1 If you study a lot, you learn a lot.

The more you study

the more you learn

2 If I drink a lot of coffee, I sleep badly.

The more coffee I drink

the worse I sleep

3 If you have a lot of time, you do things slowly.

The more time you have

the slower you do things

4 If you are fit, you feel good.

The fitter you are

the better you feel

1.18 Now listen and check. Notice the stress and intonation pattern in the sentences.