

4 Grammar Practice

Comparative Adjectives

Short Form

cheaper than

Long Form

more expensive than

Irregular Adjectives

good - better bad - worse far - farther / further

Uses

to compare one person, thing or group with another person, thing or group

Watch Out!

short - shorter
nice - nicer
big - bigger
easy - easier

1 Write the comparative form of the adjectives below.

1. small
2. sturdy
3. thin
4. old
5. good
6. dependable
7. safe
8. powerful

2 Complete the sentences with the comparative form of the adjectives in brackets.

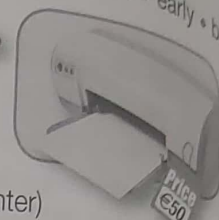
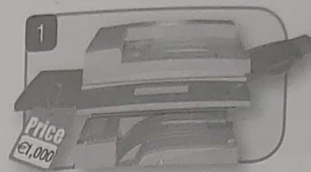
1. Jane is (friendly) the other people in the office.
2. Palmer's prices are (low) Dempsey's prices.
3. My computer is (light) Sam's computer.
4. The new program is (complicated) the old one.
5. Repairing computers is (interesting) selling peripherals.

3 Write sentences using the comparative form of the adjectives in brackets.

1. The train station is 100 m from our office. The bus station is 500 m from it. (far)
2. The wireless mouses cost £7.50 each. The standard mouses cost £5.00 each. (cheap)
3. You must send Mr Bell's order today. You can send the other orders tomorrow. (important)
4. My old laptop had a 12" screen. My new one has got a 14" screen. (wide)

4 Write sentences about the pictures with the words in brackets and the comparative form of the adjectives below.

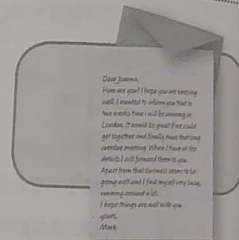
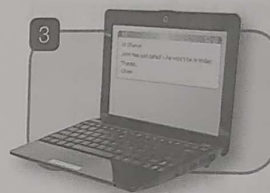
cheap ♦ short ♦ expensive ♦ modern ♦ early ♦ big



(the photocopier / the printer)



(Mike's desk / Jane's desk)



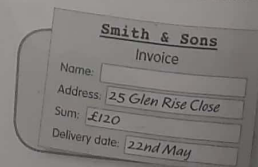
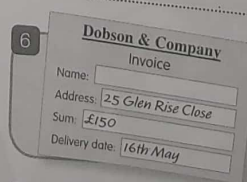
(the e-mail / the letter)



(Dixon's offices / Parker's offices)



(the small headset / the big headset)



(Dobson & Company's delivery date / Smith and Sons' delivery date)

Superlative Adjectives

Short Form

the cheapest

Long Form

the most expensive

Irregular Adjectives

good – best bad – worst far – farthest / furthest

Use

to compare three or more people, things or groups and say that one of them stands out in some way

Watch Out!

short – **shortest**
nice – **nicest**
big – **biggest**
easy – **easiest**

5 Write the superlative form of the adjectives below.

1. wide
2. difficult
3. bad
4. easy
5. practical
6. good
7. fat
8. useful
9. far
10. sad

6 Complete the sentences with the superlative form of the adjectives in brackets.

1. This is (ergonomic) chair in the office. Sit in it and see how you feel.
2. I'm looking for (reliable) scanner in your shop.
3. We bought (expensive) computers in the shop for our office.
4. Can you give me (quiet) office?
5. Mr Barnes gives (good) customer service in our company.
6. Kate is (hard) worker in the office.

7 Complete the sentences with the superlative form of the adjectives below.

busy ♦ cold ♦ interesting ♦ hot
good ♦ complicated

1. Tom's office is the only office in the building without an air-conditioner. In the summer, it's office in the building.
2. Louise is a great manager. In fact, she's manager in the company.
3. Yesterday was day of the year. It was -22° C.
4. I prefer not to use this program. It's one we have.
5. Susan is of all the web designers. She never has time to go out to lunch with us.
6. Mr Greene is man I know. He knows so much about so many different topics.

8 Circle the correct answer.

1. We will give the job to the **more professional** / **most professional** person.
2. Writing invoices is **more useful** / **most useful** than cleaning your desk right now.
3. Where is the **nearer** / **nearest** computer repair shop?
4. Katie's work is **better** / **best** than Jack's work.
5. I work in the **noisier** / **noisiest** part of the building.

9 Write six sentences comparing the printers in the chart. Use the comparative and superlative forms of the adjectives below.

	Quickprint	Printmaster	Starprint
Size (cm)	40x36x26	35x32x22	60x55x52
Weight (kg)	7.2	6.5	20.9
Pages per minute	28	22	31
Cost	£97	£89	£350

small ♦ big ♦ expensive ♦ cheap ♦ slow ♦ heavy

1.
2.
3.
4.
5.
6.