

Comparatives: -er, more, than

Focus: comparatives: -er / more + than, better / worse / further, much / a lot / a bit, (not) as ... as

GRAMMAR: COMPARATIVES

Short adjectives: **-er + than**: cheaper, bigger, noisier, safer than.

Long: **more + adjective** (more modern). Irregular: **better, worse, further**.

much / a lot / a bit + comparative: It's much bigger than the house.

(not) as ... as: The second flat isn't as bright as the first one.

1 Complete the table with the comparative.

Example: small → smaller

Adjective	Comparative	Adjective	Comparative
big	_____	expensive	_____
noisy	_____	good	_____
safe	_____	comfortable	_____
bad	_____	far	_____

2 Complete with the comparative, than or as.

Example: This flat is _____ (modern) than our old flat. → more modern

- A room in the suburbs is _____ (cheap) than a room in the centre.
- My new street is much _____ (quiet) than the old street.
- A furnished flat is _____ (convenient) for a short contract.
- The heating here is _____ (good) than in our last flat.
- The stairs are _____ (dangerous) at night without a light.
- The view from the balcony was _____ (bad) than in the photos.
- The office is a lot _____ (far) from here than from my old flat.
- The new lock isn't as good _____ the old lock.
- Is your flat much bigger _____ Lena's flat?

ANSWER KEY

1 1 bigger, 2 more expensive, 3 noisier, 4 better, 5 safer, 6 more comfortable, 7 worse, 8 further 2 1 cheaper, 2 quieter, 3 more convenient, 4 better, 5 more dangerous, 6 worse, 7 further, 8 as, 9 than