

**Cambridge First Certificate (FCE) sentence transformations practice of comparing/contrasting language**

**Use of English Part Four/ Speaking Part Two**

*For questions 1 – 7, complete the second sentence so that it has the same meaning as the first sentence, using the word given. Do not change the word given. You must use between two and five words, including the word given.*

1. Tom thought that the party would be more exciting than it turned out to be.

**NOT**

The party \_\_\_\_\_ as Tom had thought it would be.

2. Tom doesn't speak French nearly as well now as he used to.

**MUCH**

Tom used to \_\_\_\_\_ he does now.

3. There is not much difference between your essay and mine.

**VERY**

Your essay is \_\_\_\_\_ mine.

4. We have fairly similar opinions on climate change.

**QUITE**

Our opinions on climate change \_\_\_\_\_ common.

5. The journals' titles are absolutely identical.

**EXACTLY**

The journals \_\_\_\_\_ titles.

6. Our ideas on how to change the company have absolutely nothing in common.

**DIFFERENT**

We \_\_\_\_\_ on how to change the company.

7. Compared to his holiday, mine was luxurious.

**MORE**

My holiday \_\_\_\_\_ his was.

8. Experts say that teenagers didn't use to be so stressed.

**THAN**

Experts say that teenagers are \_\_\_\_\_ to be.

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**Suggested answers**

1. Tom thought that the party would be more exciting than it turned out to be.

**NOT**

The party \_\_\_\_\_ WAS NOT (1) AS EXCITING (1) or SO EXCITING (1) \_\_\_\_\_  
as Tom had thought it would be.

2. Tom doesn't speak French nearly as well now as he used to.

**MUCH**

Tom used to \_\_\_\_\_ SPEAK FRENCH (1)/ MUCH BETTER THAN (1) \_\_\_\_\_ he does now.

3. There is not much difference between your essay and mine.

**VERY**

Your essay is \_\_\_\_\_ VERY SIMILAR (1) TO (1) \_\_\_\_\_ mine.

4. We have fairly similar opinions on climate change.

**QUITE**

Our opinions on climate change \_\_\_\_\_ HAVE QUITE A LOT (1) IN (1) \_\_\_\_\_ common.

5. The journals' titles are absolutely identical.

**EXACTLY**

The journals \_\_\_\_\_ HAVE EXACTLY (1) THE SAME (1) \_\_\_\_\_ titles.

6. Our ideas on how to change the company have absolutely nothing in common.

**DIFFERENT**

We \_\_\_ HAVE COMPLETELY (1) DIFFERENT IDEAS (1) \_\_\_ on how to change the company.

7. Compared to his holiday, mine was luxurious.

**MORE**

My holiday \_\_\_\_\_ WAS MORE (1) LUXURIOUS THAN (1) \_\_\_\_\_ his  
was.

8. Experts say that teenagers didn't use to be so stressed.

**THAN**

Experts say that teenagers are \_\_\_ ARE MORE STRESSED THAN (1) THEY USED (1) \_\_\_  
to be.