

Self-study tips comparative adjectives practice

Ask your partner's advice about improving your English in one of the ways below:

Reading

- Easier reading comprehension
- Understanding more difficult texts

Listening

- Understanding stronger accents
- Understanding faster speech

Speaking

- More fluent speaking
- More accurate speaking
- Better pronunciation
- More extreme intonation
- More confident speaking
- Shorter pauses/ Faster responses
- Speaking for longer

Writing

- More accurate writing
- Quicker writing
- More formal writing
- More informal writing/ Friendlier writing

Language

- Wider vocabulary
- Better grammar
- More complex language/ Higher level language

Others

- Better knowledge of cultural differences

Share some advice that you agree with and see what the rest of the class think about it.

Ask about anything above that you don't understand, can't think of advice for, etc, working together to make suitable advice each time.

Comparative adjectives grammar presentation/ practice

Without looking above, fill the gaps below with the comparative (“more +...” or “...+er”) forms.

Reading

- _____ (easy) reading comprehension
- Understanding _____ (difficult) texts

Listening

- Understanding _____ (strong) accents
- Understanding _____ (fast) speech

Speaking

- _____ (fluent) speaking
- _____ (accurate) speaking
- _____ (good) pronunciation
- _____ (extreme) intonation
- _____ (confident) speaking
- _____ (short) pauses
- Speaking for _____ (long)

Writing

- _____ (quick) writing
- _____ (formal) writing
- _____ (informal) writing
- _____ (friendly) writing

Language

- _____ (wide) vocabulary
- _____ (complex) language
- _____ (high) level language

Try to work out the rules for making these comparative adjectives, and use that to start checking your answers.

Check your answers on the previous page, check if the rules that you made are correct, then compare your ideas for rules as a class.

Use similar language to describe how some of these things could be useful in improving your English:

- Graded readers
- Reading children's books
- Skype lessons
- Writing a diary in English
- Online chat
- Arranging an English conversation club
- Conversation exchange
- English language learning software/ apps
- Comics
- Children's TV
- Children's movies
- Watching the same film or TV episode several times
- Watching English-language movies or TV with English subtitles
- Voice of America (VoA) Simple English news
- Local English-language newspapers
- Local English-language TV, e.g. news
- Internet news sites
- Using a lower level English-English dictionary, e.g. an Elementary learner's dictionary or Intermediate learner's dictionary

Ask your teacher about any of the topics in this lesson which you aren't sure about.