COMPARATIVES OF SUPERIORITY AND SUPERLATIVES

	Comparative	<u>Superlative</u>
Old	old-er	the old-est
Fat	fat-ter	the fat-test
Нарру	happ-ier	the happ-iest
Nice	nice-r	the nic-est
Beautiful	more beautiful	the most beautiful
Good	better	the best
Bad	worse	the worst
Far	farther/further	the farthest/the furthest

Look at the list of adjectives. How are they formed?

1. What are the comparative and superlative forms of these adjectives?

long		
near		
expensive		
thin		
nice		
dark		
interesting		
bad		
happy		
cheap		
big		
good		

2. Compare:

- 1. The Pacific Ocean / deep / the Atlantic Ocean.
- 2. Mercury / heavy / gold.
- 3. The Alhambra / old / El Escorial.
- 4. The Sahara Desert / wide / the Gobi Desert.
- 5. Earth / hot / Pluto.
- 6. Diamonds / expensive / gold.
- 7. Penélope Cruz / beautiful / Madonna.
- 8. Jurassic Park / exciting / Godzilla.
- 9. Mr Brown / funny / Mr Black.

3. Complete the sentences. Use the comparative form of the irregular adjectives.

- 1. Mercury is (far) _____ from Earth than Venus.
- 2. The weather in January is (bad) ______ than in June.
- 3. He is (good) _____ than Peter.

4. Compare animals. Use the following adjectives:

1. tall 2. big 3. long 4. thin 5. small 6. fast

5. Complete the sentences. Use the superlative form of the adjectives.

- 1. The Pacific Ocean is the (large) ______ ocean in the world.
- 2. These are the (cheap) ______ shoes in the shop.
- 3. Deserts are the (dry) _____ places in the world.
- 4. Mawsynram in India is the (wet) _____ place in the world.
- 5. Andrew is (popular) _____ boy _____ class.
- 6. Dolphins are probably (intelligent) ______ animals ______ world.
- 7. Chinese is probably (difficult) ______ language ______ world.
- 8. Peter is (tall) _____ boy _____class.
- 9. My sister is (bad) ______ singer _____world.
- 10. Your brother is (good) ______ student _____ class.

6. Make comparative or superlative sentences.

E.g.: Helen is more beautiful than Mary. // Helen is the most beautiful girl in the classroom.

- 1. Peter/ intelligent / John.
- 2. Peter/ intelligent / classroom.
- 3. A Seat/ cheap / a Mercedes.
- 4. My brother / tall / my sister.
- 5. My father / tall / my family.
- 6. I / bad student / classroom.
- 7. That building / big / city.
- 8. This exercise / easy / that exercise.
- 9. My mother / young / my father.
- 10. That supermarket / expensive / village.

COMPARATIVES OF EQUALITY

(*not*) as + adjective + as Example: he is (not) as tall as his brother.

COMPARE THESE SENTENCES WITH ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ADJECTIVES:

Boring / comfortable / dangerous / deep / difficult / independent / old / relaxing / valuable

- 1. This summer is not ______ last summer.
- 2. I hope his new book is not ______ his last one.
- 3. Flying is not ______ travelling by car.
- 4. Don't worry. The river isn't ______ it looks.
- 5. Silver isn't _____ gold.
- 6. Dogs aren't _____ cats.
- 7. Our new car is very fast, but it's not ______ the old one.
- 8. Do you think French is _____ English?
- 9. That house is ______ as mine. They built it in 1900.
- 10. For me, lying on the beach is not______walking in the mountains.