

Language Focus Unit 5 ★★

Comparative and superlative adjectives

- 1 Write the comparative form of the adjectives in the correct place in the table.

aggressive bad big expensive fast
fat good heavy friendly slow

-er	double consonant, add -er	remove y, add -ier
<u>faster</u>	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
irregular	more	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

- 2 Complete the sentences with the comparative and superlative form of the adjectives.

Science is more difficult than geography but maths is the most difficult. (difficult)

- Mount Blanc is _____ the Matterhorn but Mount Everest is _____ mountain. (high)
- Meg is _____ Kate but Jim is _____. (short)
- Scotland is _____ Wales but England is _____ country in the UK. (big)
- Jan is _____ David but Simon is _____. (funny)
- Sam is _____ Rosie but Jill is _____. (intelligent)

Ability: can and could

- 3 Complete the dialogue with the correct form of **can** and **could**.

Sue Jim, can you swim?

Jim Yes, I can.

Sue (1) _____ you swim when you were seven?

Jim Yes, I (2) _____.

Sue (3) _____ you swim when you were five?

Jim No, I (4) _____.

Sue (5) _____ you play the guitar when you were seven?

Jim No, and I (6) _____ play it when I was five but I (7) _____ play it now. I'm very good.

- 4 Underline and correct the three mistakes.



What could you do when you were young?



I can walk when I was twelve months old but I can't talk until I was eighteen months old. I couldn't ride a bike for a very long time but I could ride a bike now. I couldn't swim when I was a baby and I still couldn't swim now!

- 1 could 2 _____
3 _____

Questions with **How ... ?**

- 5 Complete the questions with the words in the box. Then match questions 1–6 with answers a–f.

How far How fast How high
How long How many ~~How much~~

- How much of the human body is water? d
- _____ babies are born every second? _____
- _____ can a cheetah run? _____
- _____ is it from the earth to the moon? _____
- _____ is the Great Wall of China? _____
- _____ is the Eiffel Tower? _____

- About 9,000 kilometres.
- About 385,000 kilometres.
- About 300 metres.
- ~~About 70%.~~
- About 75 kilometres per hour.
- About five!

Vocabulary Unit 5

Periods of time, numbers and measurement

1 Complete the words to make sentences.

- There are 1,000 metres in a kilometre.
- 1 tonne is the same as 1,000 k .
 - There are 30 d in June.
 - There are 60 m in an hour.
 - A m is a period of 1,000 years.
 - A c is a period of 100 years.

2 Match the sentence halves.

(1) A year is	(2) the same as 1,609 kilometres.	(3) in a minute.
(4) a period of ten years.	(5) There are 60 seconds	(6) There are 100 centimetres
(7) 1 mile is	(8) A decade is	(9) a period of 365 days.
(10) in a metre.	(11) A month is	(12) a period of four weeks.

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3 Choose the correct words.

- There are a **hundred** / **ten thousand** / **thousand** years in a millennium.
- The global population is over seven **seconds** / **billion** / **millennium**.
 - My brother is eleven years old. He was born over a **decade** / **century** / **hundred** ago.
 - The 20th **millennium** / **decade** / **century** began in 1901.
 - There are one **thousand** / **hundred** / **million** centimetres in a metre.
 - Over 13 **million** / **days** / **hours** people live in Tokyo.
 - I'd like a **mile** / **kilo** / **kilometre** of apples.
 - Put the food in the microwave for four **days** / **decades** / **minutes**.

Jobs and skills

4 Match the skills / jobs 1-7 with the definitions a-h. There is one extra definition.

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|-------------------------|------------|
| 1 A scientist | <u>g</u> |
| 2 A computer programmer | <u> </u> |
| 3 A winner | <u> </u> |
| 4 An inventor | <u> </u> |
| 5 A musician | <u> </u> |
| 6 A player | <u> </u> |
| 7 A composer | <u> </u> |
- a makes new gadgets.
b writes music.
c writes software.
d does mathematical calculations.
e plays an instrument.
f doesn't lose.
~~g does experiments in a lab.~~
h does a team sport.

5 Choose the correct words in the blog.



A different job for everyone

My family all do really different jobs. My dad works in a studio. Colour is important in his work because he's a(n) **inventor** / **composer** / **artist**. My brother does lots of calculations because he's a (1) **mathematician** / **winner** / **player**. My sister works with computers. She's a(n) (2) **artist** / **programmer** / **inventor**. My mum is extremely intelligent. She's a(n) (3) **artist** / **composer** / **genius**! She's also very creative and likes working with words. She's a(n) (4) **artist** / **writer** / **mathematician**. And me? I'm always thinking about new technologies. That's because I'm a(n) (5) **expert** / **musician** / **inventor**.

6 Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

expert genius ~~musician~~ professors writer

He's recording his first album. He's an amazing musician.

- 1 She knows everything about cooking and baking. She's a food .
- 2 Stephen King is a fantastic .
- 3 I think Albert Einstein was a !
- 4 often work at a university.