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#### THE TRUE FALSE SHOW

a) In pairs look at the sentences from "The True False Show". Write T (true) or F (false).



#### LISTENING

b) Listen to "The True False Show". Check your answers. How much money does Darren win?

# THE TRUE FALSE SHOW

- 1. Mosquitoes are more dangerous than sharks.
- 2. Brown eggs are healthier than white eggs.
- 3. The Earth is hotter than Mars.
- 4. Coffee is more popular than tea in the UK.
- 5. Tigers are better swimmers than cats.
- 6. An adult is shorter in the morning than in the evening.
- 7. White cars are safer than yellow cars.
- 8. The word "yes" is more common than the word "no".

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#### GRAMMAR

#### The comparatives

Comparatives are used to compare two things and to highlight the superiority, inferiority or equality of one term to another.

| SUPERIORITY  | EQUALITY   | INFERIORITY   |
|--|--|---|
| <ul> <li>a) short adjectives<sup>*</sup>.</li> <li>adjective + -ER THAN<br/>Example: Peter is taller<br/>than Sandra.</li> <li>b) Long adjectives<sup>*</sup>.</li> <li>MORE + adjective + THEN<br/>Example: A Ferrari is more<br/>expensive than a Mini.</li> </ul> | short and long adjectives:<br>AS + adjective + AS<br>Example: English is as easy<br>as German. | short and long adjective:<br>LESS+adj + THAN<br>Example: July is less<br>cold than January. |

\* short adjectives are 1-syllable adjectives and 2-syllable adjectives ending in –y (ex: pretty).

long adjectives: all the other adjectives.

#### Orthographic changes:

- If the adjective ends in "y" the "y" becomes "i": heavy- heavier.
- If the adjective ends in "e" only an "r" is needed: wise- wiser.
- If the adjective ends with a "single vowel + consonant" the consonant is doubled and you ad "er": bigbigger.

#### Irregular forms:

These adjectives and adverbs have irregular comparative forms.

- Good/ well- better. Example: the garden looks better now.
- Bad/ badly- worse. Example: is your teacher better? No, she is worse.
- Far/ further. Example: It's a long walk form here to the station. Further than I think.
- \* further= can also mean "more" or "additional". Example: for further information check the website.

c) Complete the sentences using a comparative form.

- 1. It's too noisy here. Can we go somewhere (quiet) quieter?
- 2. The coffee is very weak. I like it a bit (strong) <u>strongger</u>
- 3. The hotel is surprisingly big. I expected it to be (small) \_\_\_\_smaller\_\_\_\_.
- 4. The hotel is surprisingly cheap. I expected it to be (expensive) <u>more expensive</u>.
- 5. The weather is too cold in this country. I'd like to live somewhere (warm) <u>warmer</u>.
- 6. My job is a bit boring sometimes. I'd like to do something (exciting) <u>more</u> exciting\_.
- 7. I'm surprised how easy it is to use the computer. I thought it would be (difficult) <u>more difficult</u>.
- 8. Your work isn't very good. I'm sure you can do (good) <u>better</u>.
- 9. Don't worry. The situation isn't so bad. It could be (bad) <u>badder</u>
- 10. I'm surprised we got here so quickly. I expected the journey to take (long) \_\_\_\_longer\_\_\_\_\_

- 11. You're talking very loudly. Can you speak a bit (quietly) <u>quietlier</u>?
- 12. You're standing too near the camera. Can you move a bit (far) \_\_\_\_far\_ away?
- 13. You were a bit depressed but you look (happy) <u>happier</u> today.

d)Complete the sentences using as...as.

- 1. I'm quite tall but you are taller. I<u>'m not as tall as you</u>.
- 2. My salary is high but yours is higher. My salary isn't <u>my salary not as high as you</u>.
- 3. You know a bit about cars but I know more. You don't <u>you don't as know i</u>.
- 4. I'm very nervous but you are more. I'm not <u>as nervous as you</u>.
- 5. I feel tired and you too. I'm <u>not as tired as you</u>.

e) Rewrite these sentences so that they have the same meaning.

1. Jack is younger than he looks. Jack isn't as old as he looks.

- 2. I don't spend as much money as you. You <u>don't spend as much money</u>.
- 3. The station is nearer than I thought. The station isn't <u>as close as I thought</u>.
- 4. The meal doesn't cost as much as I expected. The meal doesn't cost as much as I expected .
- 5. I go out less than before. I don't <u>go out as much as before</u>
- 6. Her hair isn't as long as it was<u>. She has hair not as long as before</u>.

#### Personality adjectives

f) Match the adjectives of personality with their meaning.

Aggressive careful stylish friendly generous quiet serious

- 1. A <u>friendly</u> person is open and kind
- 2. A <u>careful</u> person doesn't make mistakes or have accidents.
- 3. A <u>quiet</u> person thinks a lot and doesn't make jokes.
- 4. A <u>serious</u> person doesn't talk a lot.
- 5. A <u>generous</u> person likes giving people things.
- 6. A <u>stylish</u> person dresses well.
- 7. An <u>Aggressive</u> person likes arguing and can be violent.

#### LISTENING

g) (4.21) Listen to the radio program about car colors and personality. Listen once and write the colors in the chart.

| car color  | personality  |
|--|--|
| 1. yellow  | very <u>friendly</u><br>(more popular with women than men)   |
| 2. <u>white</u><br>3. <u>red</u><br>4. <u>bive</u><br>5. <u>green</u><br>6. <u>black</u><br>7. <u>silver</u> | <u>careful</u> (very popular with doctors)<br>more <u>agresive</u> than normal<br><u>generous</u><br><u>serious</u> (popular with business peop<br>stylish |
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#### SPEAKING

h) Work in pairs. Think of three people you know who have a car. What color are their cars? Is their personality the same as in the chart? i) Read the article and complete each heading with a phrase.

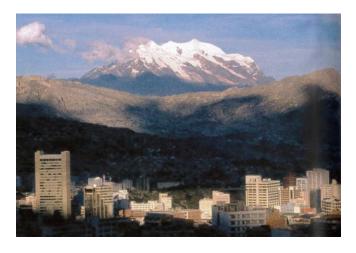
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## EXTREME LIVING

Welcome to the coldest, highest, and hottest places in the world!

#### The hottest country in the world.

How do people live in Mali, West Africa, where the temperature is often 50°? John Baxter, a BBC journalist in Mali, says, "People get up very early and they don't move very much in the afternoon. Surprisingly, they wear a lot of clothes (usually cotton) as this helps them not to get dehydrated. Houses are very hot and don't have air conditioning- the best place to sleep is on the roof!



#### The highest \_\_capital city in the world. La



Paz in Bolivia is 4,090 metres above sea level. It can be difficult to breath because there isn't much oxygen. Liz Tremlett, a travel agent who lives there says, "When people arrive at El Alto airport we sometimes need to give them oxygen". It is also the worst place to be if you drink too much beer. The next day you feel terrible because you get more dehydrated. But La Paz is a very good place to play golf. At this altitude, when you hit a golf ball it goes further!

The coldest place in the world.

Can you imagine living in a place which is four times colder than your freezer? This is Yakutia in Siberia, where in winter it is often -50° or lower. Valeria Usimenko, a housewife, says,

"After a few minutes outside your nose fills with ice. It snows a lot and there is always a lot of ice and snow on top of the houses. The most dangerous time is the spring- when the ice falls it can kill people! The winter is very boring because we can't go out much. A lot of babies are born here in the autumn!"



i) Read the article again and answer these questions.

- 1. Where do people wear a lot of cotton clothes? en Malí, África occidental
- 2. Where is a good place to play golf?
  - La Paz in Bolivia
- 3. Where do people sleep on the roof? in Mali, Africa
- 4. Where can you have a problem with your nose? Yakutia in Siberia
- 5. Where do you need to be careful in spring? Yakutia in Siberia
- 6. Where is a bad place to drink a lot of alcohol? La Paz in Bolivia

#### GRAMMAR

#### The superlatives

Superlatives are used to express the highest degree of quality. We use a superlative adjective to describe extreme quality of one thing/ person in a group of things/ people.

| SUPERLATIVE OF SUPERIORITY  |  |
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| SHORT ADJECTIVES:   | long adjectives:   |
| THE + adjective + EST<br>Example: Tom is the tallest boy of the school. | THE MOST + adjective<br>Example: This is the most pleasant place on Earth. |

#### SUPERLATIVE OF INFERIORITY

SHORT ADJECTIVES AND LONG ADJECTIVES:

THE LEAST + adjective Example: This is the least interesting movie of the year.

- After superlatives we use "in" with places (towns, buildings, etc.) Example: what is the longest river in the world?
- We also use "in" for organizations and groups of people (a class/ team/ company) Example: Who is the best student in the class?
- We use "of" for a period of time. Example: What is the hottest month of the year?

Irregular forms Good→the best Example: She's the best singer in the world.

Bad→the worst Example: He's the worst football player.

Far→farthest Example: Seattle is the farthest city form here.

k) Complete the sentences. Use a superlative + a preposition ("in" or "of").

1. It's a very nice room. It \_\_\_\_\_\_ is the most beautiful room in \_\_\_\_\_\_ the hotel.

2. It's a very cheap restaurant. It's <u>restaurant the cheapest of</u> the town.

3. It was a very happy day. It was <u>the happiest day in</u> my life.

4. She's a very intelligent student. She is the smartest student in the class.

5. It's a very valuable painting. It it is the most valuable painting of the gallery.

- I) Complete the sentences. Use a superlative or comparative.
- 1. We stayed at <u>the cheapest</u> hotel in the town (cheap).
- 2. Our hotel was <u>cheaper</u> than all the others in the town

(cheap).

- 3. The United States is very large but Canada is <u>larger</u> (large).
- 4. What's <u>longger</u> river in the world? (long).
- 5. He was a bit depressed yesterday but he looks <u>happier</u> today (happy).
- 6. Today it's an awful day. It is <u>baddest</u> day of my life (bad).
- 7. What is <u>most popular</u> sport in your country? (popular).
- 8. Everest is <u>highest</u> mountain in the world (high).
  - 9. This is <u>most</u>enjoyable holidays we have ever had (enjoyable). 10. I prefer this chair to the other one. It's <u>more</u> comfortable (comfortable).

m) Complete the chart.

| Adjective | Comparative        | Superlative        |   |
|-----------|--------------------|--------------------|---|
| cold      | colder             | the coldest        | - |
| high      | higher             | the highest        |   |
| hot       | hotter             | the hottest        |   |
| dangerous | the most dangerous | the most dangerous |   |
| good      | better             | The best           |   |
| bad       | worse              | The worst          |   |

n) Complete the questions with superlative adjectives and choose the correct answers.

World Capitals Quiz

1. What's the <u>noisiest</u> capital city in the world? (noisy)

a. *Tokyo* b. Madrid c. Rome

2. What's the <u>biggest</u> capital city in the world? (big)

a. Buenos Aires b. Mexico City <u>c. Tokyo</u>

3. What's the <u>driest</u> capital city in the world? (dry)

a. Nairobi b. Lagos <u>c. Cairo</u>

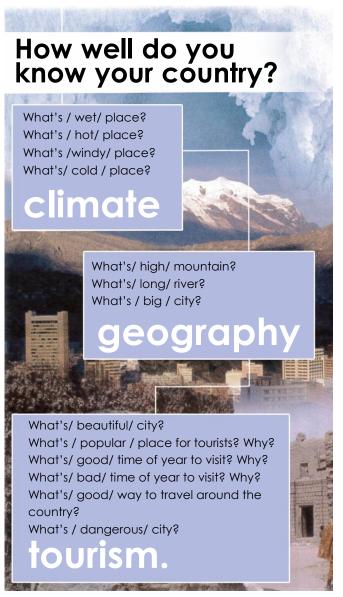
4. What's the <u>most</u> expensive\_ capital city in the world (expensive)? a. London **b. Tokyo** c. Washington

5. What's the <u>safest</u> capital city in the world? (safe) **a. Copenhagen** b. Canberra c. Oslo

6. What's the <u>most crowded</u> capital city in the world? (crowded) a. Beijing b. Bangkok <u>c. New Delhi</u>

#### SPEAKING

o) In pairs or small groups, ask and answer these questions about your country. What's the wettest place? I think it's...



#### LISTENING

p) f<sup>4.22</sup> Listen to each conversation. Write the item that people are talking about. Then listen again and

circle the adjective that the salesperson uses to describe the product.

|   | They're talking about | Adjectives  |
|---|-----------------------|---|
| 1 | of a tablet           | <u><i>light</i></u> / fast/ cheap                 |
| 2 | of a jacket           | light / <u>warm</u> / beautiful                   |
|   | of some vases         | <u><b>tall</b></u> / <b>beautiful</b> /affordable |
| 4 | from a laptop         | light / easy to use /                             |

#### GRAMMAR Too and enough

- "Too" and "enough" modify adjectives, adverbs and nouns.

"Too" means more than what is needed."Enough" means sufficient.

Examples (adjectives): He is too old to play football with the kids. Dave is intelligent enough to do the right thing.

Examples (adverbs): You're not working fast enough. I don't have enough time.

Examples (nouns): He has too many friends. He has too much patience.

- "Enough" comes after adjectives and adverbs: Example (adjective): He isn't old enough to watch this program. Example (adverb): We're not walking quickly enough.
- "Enough" may also precede nouns: Example: We have enough money.
- "Too" comes before adjectives and adverbs: Example (adjective): It's too hot to wear that coat. Example (adverb): I was driving too fast.
- "Too" may also come before nouns when it is used with the expressions "too much" and " too many".
  "Too much" is used before uncountable nouns.
  Example: There is too much salt in this food.
- "Too many" is used before countable nouns. Example: There are too many students in this classroom.
- q) Read the conversations between customers and salespeople. Then complete each conversation. Use "too" or "enough" and an adjective from the list.
  - 1. A: My photocopier is <u>too slow</u>. I'm ready for an upgrade!
    B: Ok. I have several models that are very fast. How much do you want to spend?
  - 2. A: These jeans aren't <u>too small</u>. They're very uncomfortable. B: I'm sorry. Let me get you a larger size. Here you go.
  - 3. A: I like these portable speakers, but they really aren't <u>light</u> for travel <u>enough</u> B: Then check out this pair. They're lighter, and you can have them for \$20.
  - 4. A: Are you sure this microwave is <u>fast enough</u>? I'm a pretty busy guy.
    B: Absolutely. The X11 is our fastest model. And I can give you a great price
  - 5. A: How about this fan? Listen. It's very quiet.
     B: That's definitely <u>too quiet</u> for my bedroom. And it's very affordable. I'll take it.
  - 6. A: This jacket is a real bargain, sir. It's only \$692.

B: \$692? That's too Expensive . I don't want to spend that much.

Adjectives Big Cheap Expensive Fast Heavy Light Quiet Slow Small ?":

#### READING

a) Read the article. Where are the three people living? Complete the gaps with the following cities:



Tokyo

Los Angeles

Barcelona

### Sydney

# The inside story

Three people who live abroad Talk about their "new countries".



#### Nuria from Spain lives in

Driving 8/10 I was surprised-people drive quite slowly. People use their cars for everything. You never see people walking in the street. Social life 5/10 People don't go out

during the week because they work very hard. It's normal to work twelve hours a day and people usually only two weeks' holiday. Work is the most important t more important than family and social life. People 9/10 People are really nice here. It's easy

them. And in shops the shop assistants are very They always say "Have a good day!".

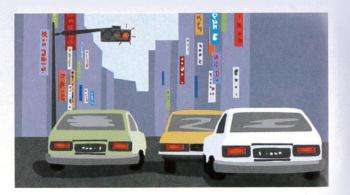


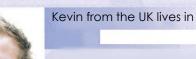


Monica from Argentina lives in

Safety 10/10 There is almost no crime here. You can walk safely in the city late at night. And you can leave things in your car and nobody steals them!

Driving 7/10 People drive carefully, but the big problem is that there aren't any street names. It's impossible to find where you traffic lights





Clothes 8/10 Appearance is very important. Everybody dresses well, but especially the men. They are very elegant and wear very

stylish clothes. It is easy to see here there weren't any who the British people are here!

Food 9/10 They love food and it is fantastic! But times are changing. Today many people under 35 can't cook. Supermarkets are full of food now which you can put in the microwave. When I first came to live

McDonald's but now they are everywhere. Driving 5/10 People here are in love with their cars and they drive very fast. Even the nicest people become more aggressive when they drive.



### GRAMMAR

#### Adverbs

- An adverb is a word used to modify a verb, an adjective, or another adverb.

For example: She swims quickly. (Here, the adverb "quickly" modifies the verb swims.)

She swims extremely quickly. (Here, the adverb "extremely" modifies the adverb quickly.)

She is an extremely quick swimmer. (Here, the adverb "extremely" modifies the adjective "quick".)

- Many adverbs are formed from adjectives. The basic rule is that -ly is added to the end of the adjecttive:

For example: slow- slowly.

- If the adjective already ends in –y. the –y usually changes to –i. Example: unnecessary- unnecessarily.

- If the adjective ends with a consonant followed by -le, replace the final -e with -y on its own: Example: terrible- terribly

b) Look at the article again in a). Find and underline the adverbs. Which adverbs don't end in -ly?

#### WRITING

c) Choose five adjectives and five adverbs and make sentences.

| <u>Adjectives</u> | <u>Adverbs</u> |
|-------------------|----------------|
| aggressive        | aggressively   |
| stylish           | Stylishly      |
| dangerous         | dangerously    |
| polite            | politely       |
| beautiful         | beautifully    |
| quiet             | quietly        |
| careful           | carefully      |
| complete          | completely     |

Adjectives:

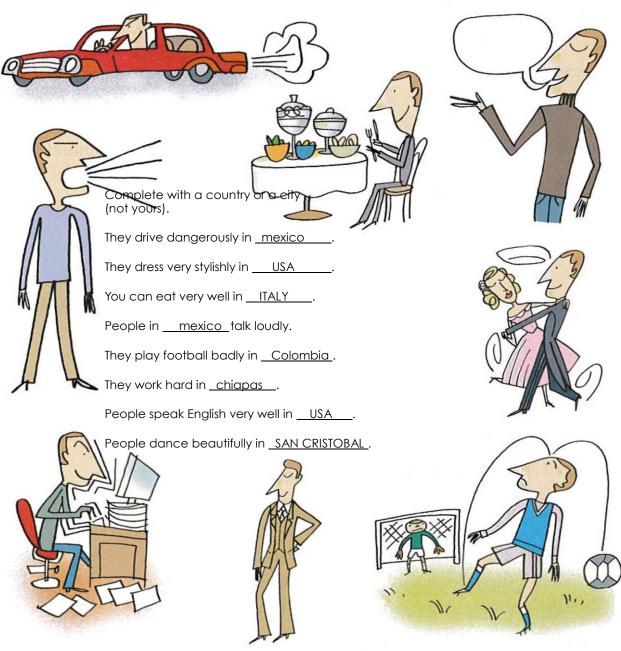
- 1. you are the most aggressive of the job
- 2. you come very elegant
- 3. <u>That place is very dangerous</u>
- 4. You're a very beautiful girl
- 5. you are a very careful person of your health

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#### **SPEAKING**

d) Work in pairs. Compare your sentences. What about in your own country or city? How do people...? Discuss in pairs.



Now, compare your sentences with other students. Do you agree?

#### LISTENING

e) f<sup>4.23</sup> Listen and say what is happening. Use an adverb. Example: They're speaking quietly.

1. They are talking about watching a movie \_\_\_\_\_.

2 they are planning to go to a concert\_\_\_\_\_.

3. <u>They're talking about watching a music vide\</u>

4. \_\_\_\_\_ They are talking about dinner