

Comparatives

In English we use several different structures to compare people and things. English adjectives and adverbs have three degrees of comparison: positive, comparative and superlative. All of these forms are used to make comparisons.

Complete the following sentences using an adjective in the appropriate degree of comparison.

1. James is than his brother.

- less qualified
- lesser qualified
- least qualified

2. Rahul is one of boys in the class.

- cleverest
- the cleverest
- cleverer

3. No other poet in English is as as Milton.

- greater
- great
- greatest

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4. Few Indian towns are than Bombay.

big
bigger
biggest

5. He is than any other boy in the class.

intelligent
more intelligent
most intelligent

6. His achievement is than yours.

remarkable
more remarkable
most remarkable

7. Chennai is than Mumbai.

hot
hotter
hottest

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8. He earns as money as you.

much
more
most

9. Hercules was any other man.

strong
stronger
stronger than

Answers

1. James is less qualified than his brother.
2. Rahul is one of the cleverest boys in the class.
3. No other poet in English is as great as Milton.
4. Few Indian towns are bigger than Bombay.
5. He is more intelligent than any other boy in the class.
6. His achievement is more remarkable than yours.
7. Chennai is hotter than Mumbai.

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8. He earns as much money as you.

9. Hercules was stronger than any other man.