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VOCABULARY

AND

LISTENING

The natural world

1 Match the descriptions to the pictures.



- 1 There's a river in the forest.
- 2 In this garden there is grass, and there are trees and flowers.
- 3 Here we can see the sea and the beach.
- 4 This is the countryside near my home.

2 Complete the sentences with the words in bold from Exercise 1.

- 1 Which do you prefer: swimming in the _____ or in a river?
- 2 Dad, we need to cut the _____. It's very long.
- 3 There is a _____ near my grandparents' house, but it's not sandy, it's full of stones.
- 4 My grandparents love their _____. It's behind their house. In the summer they spend all their time there. It's got lots of unusual flowers.
- 5 We've got lots of tall _____ in our garden. My brother and sister love climbing them!
- 6 I like living in a city, but my uncle and aunt prefer the _____. There are no tall buildings where they live and there aren't many cars.
- 7 The Amazon is a special type of _____. There are more trees and it rains a lot.
- 8 I'd like to go on holiday to Egypt. I want to go on a boat on the Nile! Do you know the Nile? It's a very long _____.
- 9 Let's buy Mum some _____ for her birthday! She likes them.

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3 Listen to the conversation. Where is Jack?
Why is he there?



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4 Listen again. Which sentence is right (✓)?

- 1 Jack is in the UK.
Jack is in Canada.
- 2 Jack is with his family.
Jack isn't with his family.
- 3 Jack's grandmother is 50 tomorrow.
Jack's grandmother is 60 tomorrow.
- 4 Jack's grandmother lives in Canada.
Jack's grandmother doesn't live in Canada.
- 5 Jack's hotel is near a forest.
Jack's hotel is in a forest.
- 6 Jack's father enjoys walking by the river.
Jack's mother enjoys walking by the river.
- 7 Ava can meet Jack on Sunday.
Ava can't meet Jack on Sunday.

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1 Complete the table with the comparative form of the adjectives in the box.

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2 Complete the sentences with the comparative form of the adjectives.

- Our English classroom is _____ (big) than our music classroom.
- Paris is _____ (cold) than Seville.
- Linda is _____ (happy) on Friday than on Monday.
- My grandparents' house is _____ (old) than our house.
- My brother is always _____ (hungry) than his friends!
- My sister is a _____ (fast) runner than I am.
- The sea in Spain is _____ (warm) than the sea in Scotland.
- I am _____ (young) than most of my friends.
- I am _____ (short) than you.

3 Write sentences.

- Hugo's teacher / Eleanor's teacher (old)
Hugo's teacher is older than Eleanor's teacher.
- English / Chinese (easy)
- Mexico / Russia (hot)
- a bus / a taxi (long)
- a car / a school bus (fast)
- orange juice / tea (nice)
- London / Madrid (big)
- winter / summer (cold)
- my sister / my brother (young)

4 Look at the pictures. Read the sentences. Write Yes or No.



- Tom is shorter than Karen.
No
- Tom's hair is longer than Karen's.
- Tom's cat is fatter than Karen's cat.
- Tom's garden is nicer than Karen's garden.
- Tom's face is dirtier than Karen's face.

5 Compare the boy and girl. Write six comparative sentences using the words in the box.



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1 Put the adjective in brackets into the comparative.

- The beach is hotter than the city. (hot)
- Madrid is _____ than Mexico City. (small)
- Flowers are _____ than grass. (nice)
- My sister is _____ than me. (young)
- Trees are _____ than flowers. (tall)
- My garden is _____ than the forest. (new)
- Today I am _____ than my brother. (happy)

2 Complete the comparative sentences with the correct form of the adjectives in the box.

clean dirty hard hot ~~old~~ young

- My father is older than my mother.
- I think maths is _____ Italian.
- Italy is _____ Scotland – it's in the south of Europe.
- The sea here is _____ the river in my city – it's nicer to swim in.
- My mother is _____ my father.
- The city is _____ the countryside.

3 Complete the comparative sentences with the correct form of *be* and the adjective in brackets.

- Paris is more expensive than Rome. (expensive)
- Your pictures _____ mine. (unusual)
- Museums _____ parks. (interesting)
- The countryside _____ cities. (exciting)
- Smartphones _____ tablets. (expensive)
- The Internet _____ TV. (popular)

4 Use these adjectives to complete the comparisons.

boring hot ~~important~~ interesting short unusual

- English is more important than art.
- My sister is s_____ me.
- The city is _____ i_____ the countryside.
- Gardens are _____ b_____ forests.
- The beach is h_____ the mountains.
- Underwater sports are _____ u_____ mountain sports.

5 Put the words in order to make sentences.

- more / is / The President / famous / my / than / teacher
The President is more famous than my teacher
- is / more / New York / than / interesting / town / my

- beautiful / forest / grass / more / is / than / A

- history is / than / my / important / opinion, / more / In / science

- more / computer games / TV / fun / I / are / than / think

- more / football / Tennis / exciting / than / is



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6 Listen and cross out the incorrect /ə/ sound in each sentence.

- I'm younger than my sister.
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- Carl's house is prettier than my house.
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- My book is newer than Rosa's book.
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- I think history is harder than French.
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- My bedroom is bigger than my brother's bedroom.
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- It's hotter here in July than in December.
/ə/ /ə/ /ə/ /ə/

7 Complete Victor's blog with one word in each gap.

This is a photo of my family! We're very different. I'm ¹ taller than my sisters, but my dad is shorter ² _____ my mum. My brother has ³ _____ unusual hobbies than me. I like football, but he likes going to museums! Our country is cold so we go on holiday to ⁴ _____ countries. My home town is small so we like visiting ⁵ _____ cities. We always travel in summer because there's no school. We ⁶ _____ travel in September because I have to go to school again. We like ⁷ t_____ to different cities and ⁸ _____ in different restaurants.