There are some rules to help you make comparisons in English.

**1** If the adjective (describing word) is one syllable, you can add -er.

For example, small – smaller; big – bigger; nice – nicer.

**2** If the adjective has two syllables, but ends in -y, you can change the end to -ier.

For example, lucky – luckier; happy – happier.

**3** With other English adjectives of two syllables and more, you can't change their endings. Instead, you should use more + adjective.

For example, handsome – more handsome; beautiful – more beautiful and so on.

4 When you compare two things, use 'than'.

"She's younger **than** me." "This exercise is **more** difficult than the last one."

5 When you want to say something is similar, use 'as – as'.

For example, "She's **as** tall **as** her brother" or "It's **as** nice today **as** it was yesterday."

**6** When you want to say one thing is less than another, you can either use 'less than' or 'not as – as'.

For example, "This program is **less** interesting **than** I thought" or "This program is not **as** interesting **as** I thought."

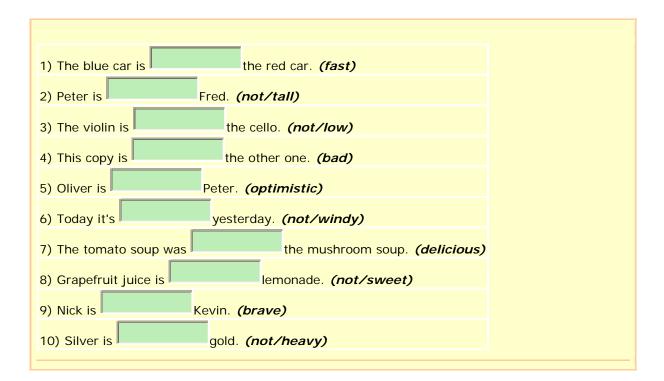
**7** Remember that some adjectives are irregular and change form when you make comparisons.

For example, good – better; bad – worse; far – further.

Use either **as** ... **as** or **not as** ... **as** in the sentecnes below.

Example: Ben Nevis is \_\_\_\_\_ as Mont Blanc (not/high).

Answer: Ben Nevis is *not as high as* Mont Blanc.



## Fill in the comparison with *as* ... *as*.

