

Using Adjectives to Compare

1. as adj. as

(A = B)



The cat is as tall as the dog.

The cat is as intelligent as the dog.

(Question: *Who is taller? Who is more intelligent?*)

2. adj. + -er than
more adj. than

(A > B)



The woman is taller than the dog.

The woman is more intelligent than the dog.

(Question: *Who is taller? Who is more intelligent?*)

3. not as adj. as
less adj. than

(A < B)



The cat isn't as tall as the man. (“is not”)

The cat isn't as intelligent as the man.

(Question: *Who isn't as tall? Who isn't as intelligent?*)

The cat is less tall than the man.

The cat is less intelligent than the man.

(Question: *Who is less tall? Who is less intelligent?*)

4. the adj. + -est
the most adj.

(A > all)



The giraffe is the tallest.

The woman is the most intelligent.

(Question: *Who is the tallest? Who is the most intelligent?*)

5. the least adj.

(A < all)



The dog is the least tall.

The dog is the least intelligent.

(Question: *Who is the least tall? Who is the least intelligent?*)