



UPPER-INTERMEDIATE II - EXTRA ACTIVITIES

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A

comparative + and + comparative

* used to show that something is increasing or changing continuously.

EXAMPLE:

It's becoming **harder and harder** to find a job.

He's getting **more and more impatient**.

- 1) I need to get warmer clothes because the weather is getting _____.
- 2) My father is already too heavy but he is still getting _____.
- 3) My wedding is next weekend and I am getting _____.
- 4) These Math problems are really becoming _____.
- 5) Going shopping these days is becoming _____.
- 6) I think I am catching a cold and it is getting _____.
- 7) He was driving _____ to get to work on time.
- 8) He has a lot of money but he is getting even _____ each day.
- 9) Why doesn't he shut up? He's getting _____ each day.
- 10) He is getting _____ at bowling and I can't see why.
- 11) He's getting _____ because he can't find a job.
- 12) These days _____ men are learning how to cook.

Complete the blanks with the double comparative. Match the pictures with the sentences.



RICH



NERVOUS



EXPENSIVE



ANNOYING



ANGRY



BAD

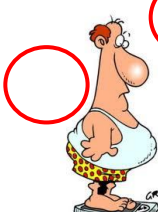


COLD

GOOD



MANY



FAT FAST DIFFICULT



B

the + comparative, the + comparative

* used to show that two things change together or that one thing depends on the other.

EXAMPLE:

The older he gets, **the more tired** he feels.

The more you have, **the more** you want.

Match the parts to make comparative sentences.

Follow the example.

A 5) – The **more tired** you are, **the harder** it is to sleep.

- A. (tired) you are
- B. (much) you study
- C. (long) he waited
- D. (early) you leave
- E. (good) you look
- F. (much) he ate
- G. (big) the room
- H. (old) Mark gets
- I. (much) I know him
- J. (tolerant) you are

1. (soon) you'll arrive
2. (high) the price
3. (confident) you feel
4. (much) he looks like you
5. (hard) it is to sleep
6. (impatient) he became
7. (little) they will argue with you
8. (easy) the exams will be
9. (sick) he became
10. (much) I trust him

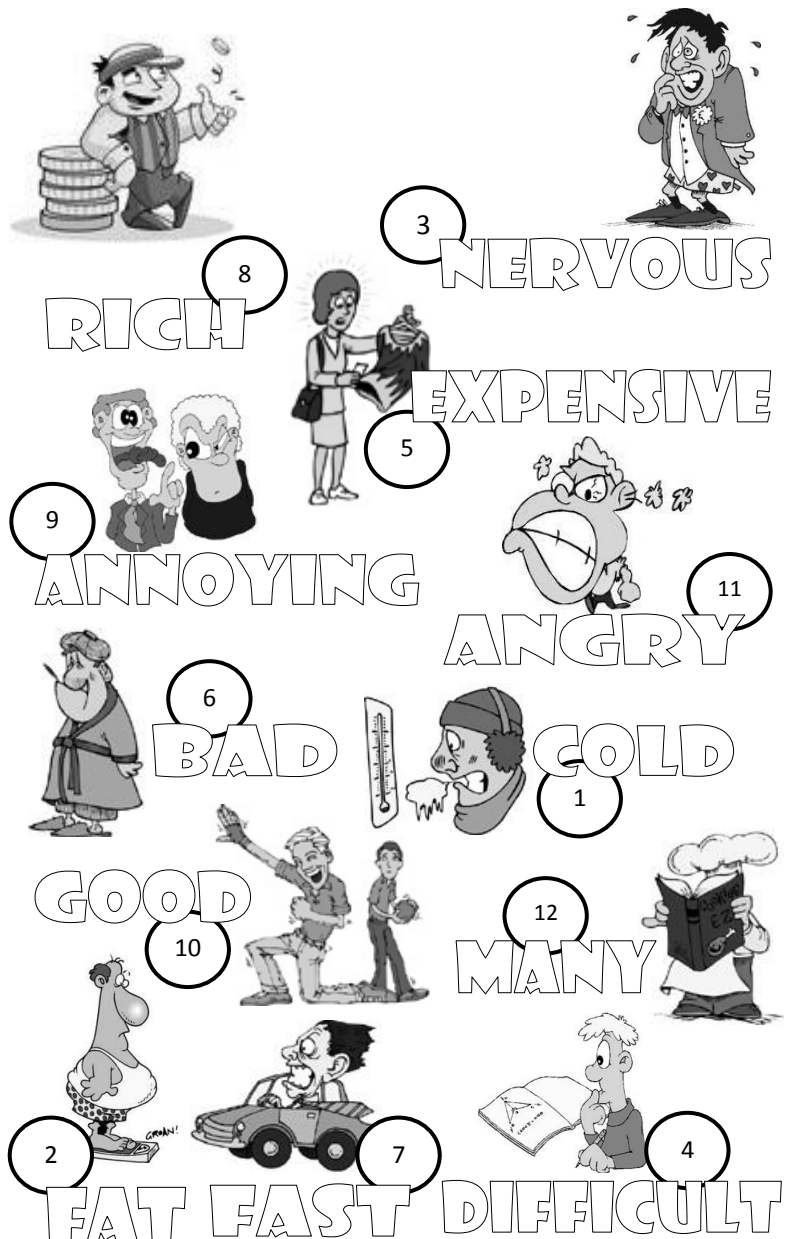
ANSWER KEY

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- 1) I need to get warmer clothes because the weather is getting **colder and colder**.
- 2) My father is already too heavy but he is still getting **fatter and fatter**.
- 3) My wedding is next weekend and I am getting **more and more nervous**.
- 4) These Math problems are really becoming **more and more difficult**.
- 5) Going shopping these days is becoming **more and more expensive**.
- 6) I think I am catching a cold and it is getting **worse and worse**.
- 7) He was driving **faster and faster** to get to work on time.
- 8) He has a lot of money but he is getting even **richer and richer** each day.
- 9) Why doesn't he shut up? He's getting **more and more annoying** each day.
- 10) He is getting **better and better** at bowling and I can't see why.
- 11) He's getting **angrier and angrier/ more and more angry** because he can't find a job.
- 12) These days **more and more** men are learning how to cook.

B

- B 8) – The more..., the easier...
 C 6) – The longer..., the more impatient...
 D 1) – The earlier..., the sooner...
 E 3) – The better..., the more confident...
 F 9) – The more..., the sicker...
 G 2) – The bigger..., the higher...
 H 4) – The older..., the more...
 I 10) – The more..., the more...
 J 7) – The more tolerant..., the less...



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READING COMPREHENSION

The Hook: A Scary Story

The news had been on the radio all day. A crazy man had escaped from the state hospital. They called him the Hook Man since he had **replaced** his right hand with a hook. He was a killer, and everyone in the area was warned to keep watch and report anything **suspicious**. Britney was more worried about her date later that night than a killer on the loose.

She was ready and waiting when her boyfriend, Tom, came to pick her up in his car. First, they went to a drive-in movie to watch the movie "Star Wars" and then headed over to the local lover's lane. Britney and Tom kissed to the sound of romantic music on the radio.

Then the news announcer came on the radio and repeated the warning she had heard that afternoon. An **insane** killer with a hook in place of his right hand was loose in the area. Suddenly, the dark, moonless night didn't seem so romantic to her. The lover's lane was **secluded**. A perfect spot for an insane madman **to lurk**, she thought, pushing her boyfriend away.

"Maybe we should get out of here," Britney said. "That Hook Man sounds dangerous."

"Aww, come on babe, it's nothing," Tom said, trying to get in another kiss. She pushed him away again.

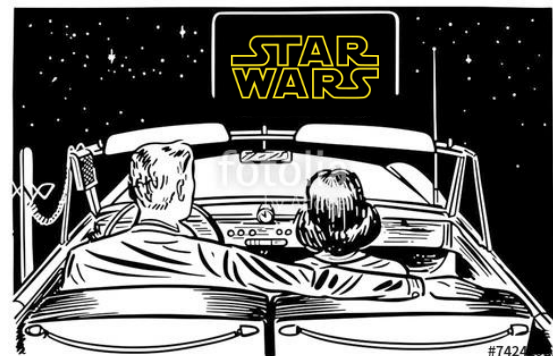
"No, really. We're all alone out here. I'm scared," she said.

They argued for a moment. Then the car shook a bit, as if something...or someone...had moved it. Britney gave a scream and said: "Get us out of here now!"

"Jeeze," Tom said **in disgust**, but he turned the key and the car went **roaring** out of the lover's lane.

They drove home in silence, and when they pulled into her driveway, Tom refused to help her out of the car. He was being so **unreasonable**, Britney **fumed** to herself. She opened the door and stepped onto her driveway with her chin up and her lips set. **Whirling** around, she slammed the door as hard as she could. And then she screamed.

Tom jumped out of the car and caught her in his arms. "What is it? What's wrong?" he shouted. Then he saw it. A bloody hook hung from the handle of her door.



1) Match the following words with their meanings.

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|----------|--------------|--|
| 1. ____ | replaced | a. a feeling that something is wrong or someone is behaving wrongly |
| 2. ____ | suspicious | b. be angry at, enraged, to show or feel rage |
| 3. ____ | secluded | c. to be in a hidden place and waiting to do something bad or wrong |
| 4. ____ | insane | d. turning quickly or suddenly, moving or going in a circle |
| 5. ____ | to lurk | e. not fair, not sensible, not appropriate, not normal |
| 6. ____ | in disgust | f. very loud, active, or strong, to move loudly or quickly |
| 7. ____ | roaring | g. a strong feeling of dislike, be annoyed or angry with someone |
| 8. ____ | unreasonable | h. crazy, mentally ill, deranged, unable to think or act in a normal way |
| 9. ____ | fumed | i. a place apart from other people, hidden from view, isolated |
| 10. ____ | whirling | j. to be used instead of something, to take the place of something else |

2) Choose the correct answer and write the letter in the blank.

1. _____ What did Britney hear about on the radio?
(A) a clothing sale (B) a winter storm (C) a killer on the loose (D) a rock concert
2. _____ What is the name of Britney's boyfriend?
(A) Steve (B) Scott (C) Charlie (D) Tom
3. _____ Where did Britney and her boyfriend go first?
(A) to the beach (B) to a drive-in movie (C) to the park (D) to the local lover's lane
4. _____ Where did they go next?
(A) to the beach (B) to a drive-in movie (C) to the park (D) to the local lover's lane
5. _____ What did they do in the lover's lane?
(A) kissed (B) slept (C) studied (D) drank
6. _____ What kind of music did they listen to?
(A) Rock music (B) K-Pop (C) Romantic music (D) Arashi
7. _____ Why did Britney want to go home?
(A) She was sleepy (B) She was bored (C) She was scared (D) She was late for another date
8. _____ Why did her boyfriend not open Britney's door for her?
(A) He forgot to (B) He was being unreasonable (C) He was dead (D) He was in love with her
9. _____ What did Britney see after she shut her car door?
(A) A puppy (B) 5 dollars on the ground (C) A hook on the door handle (D) Her neighbor
10. _____ What shook the car in the lover's lane?
(A) The Hook Man (B) Scott (C) A bear (D) An earthquake

ANSWER KEY

1) Match the following words with their meanings.

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|------|------|-------|
| 1) j | 5) c | 9) b |
| 2) a | 6) g | 10) d |
| 3) i | 7) f | |
| 4) h | 8) e | |

2) Choose the correct answer and write the letter in the blank.

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|------|------|-------|
| 1) a | 5) a | 9) c |
| 2) d | 6) c | 10) a |
| 3) b | 7) c | |
| 4) d | 8) b | |



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VOCABULARY

Hi everyone! This list of exercises was developed to help you understand, practice and revise compound adjectives (seen on Unit 1B of your book).

A compound adjective is formed when two or more adjectives are joined together to modify the same noun. They are usually written with a **hyphen** (e.g. good-looking, sun-tanned ...). Its meaning is normally clear from the words it combines. The second part of the compound adjective is often a **present (-ing)** or **past (-ed) participle**. A lot of compound adjectives describe a person's appearance, character, and situation.

1) Match the adjectives with their meanings.

1) _____ well-off	a) attractive
2) _____ laid-back	b) totally new
3) _____ good-looking	c) famous
4) _____ ready-made	d) rich
5) _____ fashion-conscious	e) relaxed
6) _____ well-known	f) eternal
7) _____ heart-broken	g) inflexible
8) _____ ever-lasting	h) depressed
9) _____ narrow-minded	i) stylish
10) _____ brand-new	j) can be used immediately

2) Fill in the gaps with the compound adjectives from exercise 1.

- Mary is very _____ and she loves wearing _____ designer clothes.
- Brad Pitt is a really _____ actor and he's very _____ – everybody likes him.
- Kate is always so _____ about everything.
- His visit left an _____ impression on me.
- John worked long hours and became very _____.
- We have no _____ answers.
- Our new boss is so _____, he is not ready to listen to or tolerate the views of others.
- Alan was really _____ when Sarah left him.

3) Match the definitions to the compound adjectives. The words are given in the box. There are more words than needed.

absent-minded	narrow-minded	thick-skinned	short-tempered	badly-behaved	two-faced
cold-hearted	strong-minded	fashion-conscious	easy-going	big-headed	

- Sam is not easily upset or offended by what other people say about him. He is _____.
- Mr. Brown gets angry very easily. He is _____.

- 3) My sister usually gets what she wants. She is _____.
- 4) Ann is insensitive and she always tries to tell people whatever she thinks will please them. She is _____.
- 5) One little boy was very _____; he kept shouting during lunch.
- 6) Jill had a nice time with Jeremy – he's good company and very _____.
- 7) Mrs. Smith is getting more _____ as she gets older.

4. Write compound adjectives instead of these word combinations:

1. a distance of three kilometers

2. a girl with a kind heart

3. a table with four legs

4. a crew of three men

5. a girl who is ten years old

6. a dress very old in fashion

7. a walk of thirty minutes

8. a trip which lasted seven days

9. a hotel with four stars

10. a woman with red hair

11. a man with brown eyes

12. a story written badly

13. a talk of about five minutes

14. an exam of about three hours

5) Fill in the correct word from the box below:

euro	old	dollar	minute	looking	absent
time	hand	storey	year	star	hearted

1. I was very _____ - minded and forgot my keys on the table.
2. Helen has found a ten - _____ note in the street.
3. Tom is fond of thirty - _____ walks in the park
4. This coat is _____ - fashioned, I don't like it at all.
5. Have a look! Do you like this fifty - _____ dress?
6. My sister is a good - _____ young girl. She works as a dentist in the hospital
7. I don't like this second - _____ mobile. It doesn't work well.
8. Tom has got a part - _____ job and now he can fulfill his dream.
9. We live in a five - _____ building in the center of the city.
10. My friends stayed in a five - _____ hotel in Paris and were very pleased.
11. A two - _____ old boy fell down and cut his left knee.
12. Bob's friend is a very kind - _____ person. He helps a lot of people.

ANSWER KEY:

Exercise 1

1D 2E 3A 4J 5I 6C 7H 8F 9G 10B

Exercise 2

- | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|
| 1 fashion-conscious | 6 ever-lasting |
| 2 brand-new | 7 well-off |
| 3 well-known | 8 ready-made |
| 4 good-looking | 9 narrow-minded |
| 5 laid-back | 10 heart-broken |

Exercise 3

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|------------------|-----------------|
| 1 thick-skinned | 5 badly-behaved |
| 2 short-tempered | 6 easy-going |
| 3 strong-minded | 7 absent-minded |
| 4 two-faced | |

Exercise 4

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. a three – kilometer distance | 6. an old – fashioned dress | 11. a brown – eyed man |
| 2. a kind – hearted girl | 7. a thirty – minute walk | 12. a badly – written story |
| 3. a four – legged table | 8. a seven – day trip | 13. a five – minute talk |
| 4. a three – man crew | 9. a five – star hotel | 14. a three – hour exam |
| 5. a ten – year old girl | 10. a red – haired woman | |

Exercise 5

1. I was very **absent** - minded and forgot my keys on the table.
2. Helen has found a ten - **euro** note in the street.
3. Tom is fond of thirty - **minute** walks in the park
4. This coat is **old** - fashioned, I don't like it at all.
5. Have a look! Do you like this fifty - **dollar** dress?
6. My sister is a good – **looking** young girl. She works as a dentist in the hospital
7. I don't like this second - **hand** mobile. It doesn't work well.
8. Tom has got a part - **time** job and now he can fulfill his dream.
9. We live in a five - **storey** building in the center of the city.
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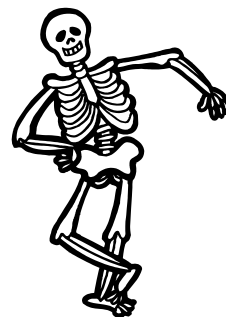
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WRITING



SCARY STORY



Read the extract:

It's a rainy night. Kate is home alone watching TV on the sofa. A thunder roars, and she realises that she's always hated storms. The wind, outside, shakes the trees, and hits the windows with deep fury.

"I hate storms" she says to herself in a whisper. She is thirsty, so she goes to the kitchen to drink some water.

Suddenly the lights go out. Luckily, there are some candles in the drawer. She lights 2 of them, drink her water, and comes back to the living-room.

There's complete silence in the house. The only sound she hears comes from the outside: it's the rain hitting the roof. Kate shivers.

Now it's your turn!

Continue the story using the keywords 
(120-160 words)

These questions can help you:

What is she thinking?

Do you think she is scared?

What does she do?

STRANGE
DARK
NOISE
STAIRS
SILENCE
DOOR

TO SCREAM
TO RUN

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