

1 Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

- There are more / *most* / *more and more* green spaces in Edinburgh than in many cities.
- January is usually the *hotter* / *hottest* / *hottest* month of the year in Sydney.
- The streets are *busy* / *busier* / *busier* than usual.
- I think the transport links in the city were the *worst* / *worse* / *worse* I've ever experienced.
- Thankfully, money is the *leastest* / *less* / *least* of our problems.
- I wish that the exhibition had been *most interesting* / *more interesting* / *interesting*.
- People are moving further *and* / *or* / *by* further away from the city centre.

2 Decide if the sentence pairs in (1–7) mean the same (S) or different (D).?

- Pedestrianised streets are obviously quieter.
Obviously, pedestrianised streets aren't as noisy. S
- The council are working harder to improve the city.
When it comes to improving the city, the council are hardly working. D
- The outskirts are slightly less expensive than the centre.
Prices are a bit higher in the centre compared to the outskirts. D
- This neighbourhood is getting noisier and noisier.
The noise in this neighbourhood is increasing all the time. S
- The motor is working less efficiently than when I bought it.
The motor didn't use to be as efficient as it is now. D
- The more frequently the trains come, the less crowded they will be.
Trains are coming more often than they did before. D
- Maria is by far the most accomplished pianist in the group.
In the group, no one comes close to Maria at playing piano. D

3 Complete the sentences with the comparative form of the words in the box. Choose between *more* / *less* where necessary.

attractive	bad	complicated
likely	long	quick
		spacious

- The further away you live, the longer your journey is.
- The less people sleep, the less their concentration becomes.
- The more dangerous the area, the more it is to home buyers.

- The hotter it is, the drier your clothes will dry.
- The more carefully you do it, the fewer you are to make mistakes.
- The longer the recipe is, the longer it will take.
- In general, the bigger the house, the more it is.

4 Are the sentences correct (✓) or incorrect (X)? Correct the mistakes.

- There were less people at my birthday party this year. X - fewer
- It's more convenient to do all your shopping in one place. more convenient
- Your arms are freer if you wear a T-shirt. more free
- Apparently, Rome is worst than Barcelona for pickpocketing. worse than
- I usually play less matches over summer. fewer
- Cities are generally more safe in the daytime. safer
- It will be easier if you use the other hand. easier

5 Complete the sentences with one word.

- Quebec is further north Montreal. north than Montreal
- Budapest is by the most interesting place I've been to. the most interesting
- As more people move to London, the city is even densely populated than in 2015. more densely
- Building a table is complicated than building a skyscraper. more complicated
- Looking for the restaurant district, we grew hungrier hungrier. hungrier
- The more you explore Melbourne, more it has to offer. the more
- That's far the ugliest building I've ever seen. the ugliest

6 Complete the sentences with one word from each box. You must add three words to every sentence.

the	less	more
a	quieter	faster
much	and	than
and	more	often
by	far	tired
faster	bit	the

- Electric cars are much quieter than petrol cars, which are pretty noisy.
- I think the film sequel was much more exciting. It had more action.
- The later I stay awake, the more tired I become.
- My skateboard was just going much faster, I was terrified.
- This is the best the best meal you've ever cooked me.
- I used to go to the gym a lot but these days I'm going less often.

1

- 2 hottest
- 3 busier
- 4 worst
- 5 least
- 6 more interesting
- 7 and

2

- 2 D
- 3 S
- 4 S
- 5 D
- 6 D
- 7 S

3

- 2 the worse
- 3 the less
- 4 the quicker / the more quickly
- 5 the less
- 6 The more complicated
- 7 The more

4

- 2 ✓
- 3 ✓
- 4 X: worst, worse
- 5 X: less, fewer
- 6 X: more safe, safer
- 7 X: easier, easier

5

- 2 by **far** the
- 3 even **more** densely
- 4 is **less** complicated
- 5 hunger **and** hungrier
- 6 Melbourne, **the** more
- 7 That's **by** far

6

- 2 a bit more
- 3 the more tired
- 4 faster and faster
- 5 by far the
- 6 and less often