

1 Choose the correct options to complete the sentences.

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

- The further away you live, the longer your journey is. (*long* / short)
- The less people sleep, the less their concentration becomes. (good / bad)
- The more dangerous the area, the less attractive it is to home buyers. (more / less)
- The hotter it is, the faster your clothes will dry. (quick / slow)
- The more carefully you do it, the less likely you are to make mistakes. (more / less)

- the longer the recipe is, the longer it will take. (complicated / simple)
- In general, the bigger the house, the more spacious it is. (more / less)

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. ✓
- Your arms are freer if you wear a T-shirt. ✓
- Apparently, Rome is worst than Barcelona for pickpocketing. X - worse
- I usually play less matches over summer. ✓
- Cities are generally more safe in the daytime. ✓
- It will be easier if you use the other hand. ✓

5 Complete the sentences with one word.

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

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

the	less
a	quieter
much	and
and	more
by	far
faster	bit

- Electric cars are much quieter than petrol cars, which are pretty noisy.
- I think the film sequel was much more exciting.
- The later I stay awake, the more tired I become.
- My skateboard was just going much faster, I was terrified.
- This is by far 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 far
- 3 more
- 4 less
- 5 and
- 6 the
- 7 by

6

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