

ICE-SKATING – TO ICE SKATE

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ROLLER SKATING TO ROLLER SKATE

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NAUGHTY – BIRICHINO

To mumble – mangiare le parole

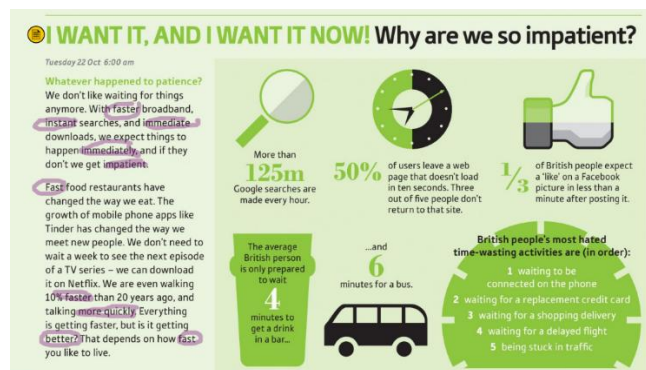
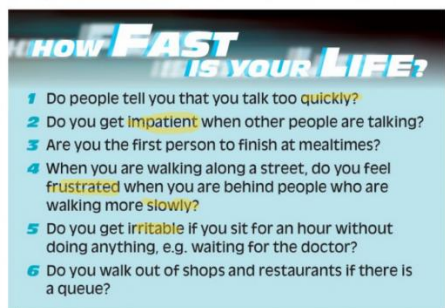
MURPHY'S LAW

A BUSY PERSON = A BUSY BEE

A LAZY PERSON = A LAZY DAISY

A JOYFUL PERSON = A HAPPY CHAPPY

ARE YOU GOOD AT....? – SEI BRAVO A FARE...?



COMPARATIVES

5A comparatives

adjectives

- 1 I'm **busier than** I was five years ago. 5.4
People are **more impatient than** in the past.
- 2 I'm **less relaxed** this year **than** I was last year.
- 3 The service in this restaurant isn't **as good as** it was.

- To compare two people, places, or things we use:
 - 1 comparative adjectives.
 - 2 *less* + adjective.
 - 3 (*not*) *as* + adjective + *as*.

comparative adjectives

short	shorter	one syllable: + -er
hot	hotter	one vowel + one consonant: double final consonant
stressed	more stressed	one syllable adjectives ending in -ed: <i>more</i> + adjective
busy	busier	two syllable adjectives ending in consonant + y: y + -ier
relaxed	more relaxed	two or more syllables: <i>more</i> + adjective
good	better	irregular
bad	worse	irregular
far	further	irregular (also farther)

adverbs

- 1 People walk **more quickly than** in the past. 5.5
- 2 My brother speaks French, but **less fluently** than me.
- 3 She doesn't drive **as fast as** her brother.

- To compare two actions we use:
 - 1 comparative adverbs.
 - 2 *less* + adverb.
 - 3 (*not*) *as* + adverb + *as*.

comparative adverbs

quickly	more quickly	adverbs ending in -ly: <i>more</i> + adverb
fast	faster	irregular
hard	harder	irregular
well	better	irregular
badly	worse	irregular

Comparatives with pronouns

After comparative + *than* or *as...as* we use an object pronoun (*me, her, etc.*) or a subject pronoun + auxiliary verb, e.g.

My brother's taller than me. My brother's taller than I am.

He's not as intelligent as her. He's not as intelligent as she is.

FILIPPO IS AS GOOD AS MARZIO = THEY ARE THE SAME

FILIPPO IS NOT AS GOOD AS MARZIO = FILIPPO IS WORSE THAN MARZIO/MARZIO IS BETTER THAN FILIPPO

HOMEWORK:

- a Write sentences with a comparative adjective or adverb + *than*.
- 1 New York is *more expensive than* Miami. (expensive)
 - 1 Modern computers are much the early ones. (fast)
 - 2 My sister is me. (short)
 - 3 This exercise is the last one. (easy)
 - 4 Newcastle is from London Leeds. (far)
 - 5 I thought the third Bridget Jones film was the first two. (bad)
 - 6 Manchester United played Arsenal. (good)
 - 7 I'm this year I was last year. (stressed)
 - 8 I'm working this year last year. (hard)
 - 9 The new airport is the old one. (big)
 - 10 I'm not lazy – I just work you! (slowly)

- b Rewrite the sentences so they mean the same. Use *as...as*.



- 1 Luke is stronger than Peter.
Peter isn't *as strong as* Luke.
- 1 Adam is shorter than Jerry.
Jerry isn't Adam.
- 2 Your bag is nicer than mine.
My bag isn't yours.
- 3 Tokyo is bigger than London.
London isn't Tokyo.
- 4 Tennis is more popular than cricket.
Cricket isn't tennis.
- 5 Children learn languages faster than adults.
Adults don't children.
- 6 I work harder than you.
You don't me.
- 7 England played better than France.
France didn't England.

