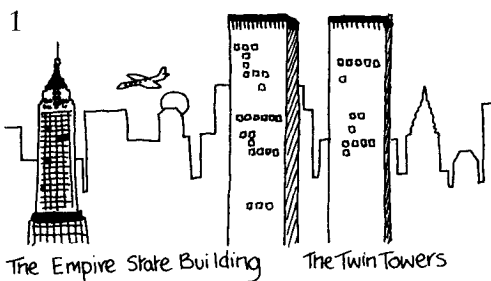
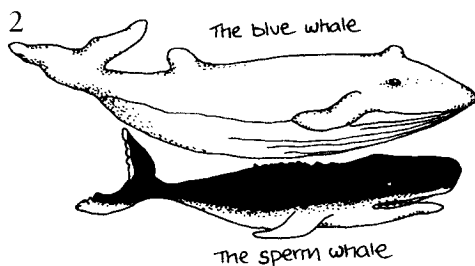


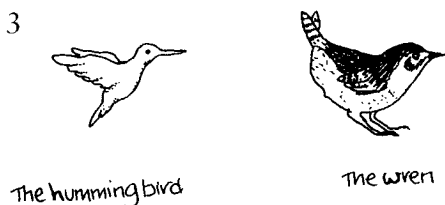
A Look at the picture and complete the sentence using *as ... as*.



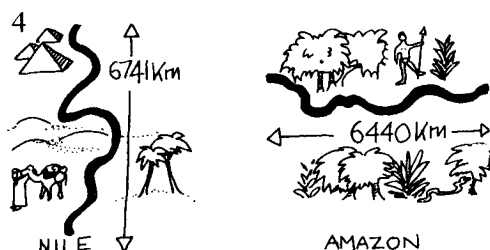
The Empire State Building and the Twin Towers are the highest buildings in New York, but the Empire State Building isn't as tall as the Twin Towers.



The blue whale and the sperm whale are both famous for being big, but _____



The wren and the hummingbird are very small birds, but _____



The Nile and the Amazon are the world's longest rivers, but _____

B Read this text about two brothers. Use the adjective in brackets to complete each space. Sometimes you need to use a comparative (-er, more ... than, as ... as), and sometimes you don't need to change the adjective.

Children will naturally compare themselves with their brothers and sisters, and this can sometimes be a (dangerous) dangerous thing. There were two brothers called Robin and Rufus. They were both 1 (good) _____ at playing football, but Robin wasn't quite 2 (good) _____ Rufus, so Robin stopped playing football completely.

Robin was three years 3 (young) _____ Rufus, but everyone thought he was the same age because he was nearly 4 (tall) _____ his brother. Of course Rufus was three years ahead of Robin at school because he was three years 5 (old) _____, but Robin decided that it was because Rufus was 6 (intelligent) _____ him.

Robin began to get very depressed because Rufus was 7 (strong) _____, 8 (confident) _____, and 9 (good) _____ him at everything. After a while he just stopped trying.

Answer Key

2 Adjectives with -ed and -ing 1

- | | |
|---------------|---------------|
| 1 thrilled | 7 disgusted |
| 2 amusing | 8 shocked |
| 3 confused | 9 confusing |
| 4 tiring | 10 surprising |
| 5 frightening | 11 horrifying |
| 6 horrified | |

The hidden word is *descriptions*.

3 Adjectives with -ed and -ing 2

- A
- | | |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 He feels frightened. | 3 They feel bored. |
| 2 They feel exhausted. | 4 She feels excited. |

- B
a1 b4 c3 d2

- C
- | | |
|-----------------------|------------------|
| a 4 very exciting. | c 3 very boring. |
| b 1 very frightening. | |

- D
1a 2b 3b 4a 5b 6a

4 Adverbs of time

- | | |
|--------------|---------------|
| A since | for |
| June | ages |
| Saturday | two years |
| you arrived | nine months |
| last weekend | quite a while |
| he was born | over a year |

- a since b for

- B
- | | | |
|-------|---------|---------|
| 1 for | 2 since | 3 ago |
| 4 for | 5 ago | 6 since |

5 Articles 1

- A
- | | | | |
|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| 1 a | 2 the | 3 the | 4 the |
|-----|-------|-------|-------|

- B
- | | | | |
|-------|-------|-------|--------|
| 1 a | 4 a | 7 the | 10 the |
| 2 the | 5 the | 8 the | 11 the |
| 3 a | 6 the | 9 the | 12 a |

- C
- | | | |
|-------|-------|-------|
| 1 the | 3 the | 5 the |
| 2 the | 4 a | 6 the |

6 Articles 2

- A
1b 2a 3c 4d 5e 6f

- B
1 a, d, e 2 b, c, f

- C
1e 2a 3c 4d 5b

7 Articles 3

- | | | |
|-------|-----------------|-------|
| 1 ___ | 4 the | 7 the |
| 2 ___ | 5 ___, ___, ___ | 8 the |
| 3 the | 6 ___ | 9 ___ |

8 Comparing 1

- A
- Diamonds are more precious than pearls.
 - A mountain is bigger than a hill.
 - People are more intelligent than monkeys.
 - Phoning is easier than writing a letter.
 - Chocolate is sweeter than fruit.
 - A lion is more dangerous than a cat.

- B
- ... more junior.
 - ... hotter.
 - ... colder.
 - ... better.
 - ... worse.
 - ... more expensive.
 - ... cheaper.
 - ... bigger.
 - ... smaller.

9 Comparing 2

- cheaper, longer, shorter
- flatter, sadder, thinner, wetter
- noisier, funnier, lazier, easier
- more bored, more pleased, more solid, more comfortable, more fragile, more expensive, more surprising, more intelligent, more dangerous
- better (good), worse (bad)

10 Comparing 3

- A
- ... the Empire State Building isn't as tall as the Twin Towers.
 - ... the sperm whale isn't as big as the blue whale.
 - ... the wren isn't as small as the hummingbird.
 - ... the Amazon isn't as long as the Nile.

- B
- | | |
|--------------|-------------------------|
| 1 good | 6 more intelligent than |
| 2 as good as | 7 stronger |
| 3 younger | 8 more confident |
| 4 as tall as | 9 better than |
| 5 older | |

11 Comparing 4

- A
- a Peter b Frank c Vince
 - a Greek b Chinese c Egyptian

- B
1b 2a 3c 4d

- C
1a 2d 3c 4b 5f 6e

12 Conditionals 1

- A
- If you need anything I'll get it for you.
 - If it wasn't raining I'd go swimming.
 - If I could fly I'd go to the moon.
 - If it's not the right size I'll bring it back.
 - If I was younger I'd join you.

- B
- I'd visit the Science Museum if it was/were open.
 - If the shops are open, I'll buy some new clothes.
 - I'd go to the island if it wasn't/weren't too/so far.
 - If the weather's nice, I'll go to the zoo.
 - I'd go for a sail around the harbour if there was/were enough time.