

COMPARISONS

Exercise 34. Looking at grammar. (Chart 9-10)

Complete the sentences with the superlative form of the words in *italics*.

Hoàn thành các câu sau với dạng so sánh nhất của các từ in nghiêng.

1. I have had many *good experiences*. Of those, my vacation to Honduras was one of _____ I have ever had.

2. Ayako has had many *nice times*, but her birthday party was one of _____ she has ever had.

3. I've taken many *difficult courses*, but statistics is one of _____ I've ever taken.

4. I've made some *bad mistakes* in my life, but lending money to my cousin was one of _____ I've ever made.



5. We've seen many *beautiful buildings* in the world, but the Taj Mahal is one of _____ I've ever seen.

6. The *final exam* I took was pretty *easy*. In fact, it was one of _____ I've ever taken.



Exercise 35. Let's talk: pairwork. (Chart 9-10)

Answer questions, use superlatives in your answers. Pay special attention to the use of plural nouns after **one of**. *Trả lời các câu hỏi sau, sử dụng so sánh nhất trong câu trả lời. Chú ý đến cách sử dụng danh từ số nhiều sau one of.*

Example:

SPEAKER A: You have known many interesting people. Who is one of them?

SPEAKER B: **One of the most interesting people** I've ever known **is** (_). OR (_) **is one of the most interesting people** I've ever known.

1. There are many beautiful countries in the world. What is one of them?

2. There are many famous people in the world. Who is one of them?



3. You've probably seen many good movies. What is one of them?

4. You've probably done many interesting things in your life. What is one of them?

5. Think of some happy days in your life. What was one of them?



6. There are a lot of interesting animals in the world. What is one of them?

7. You have probably had many good experiences. What is one of them?

8. You probably know several funny people. Who is one of them?

Exercise 36. Grammar and listening. (Chart 9-10)

Part I. Choose the sentence (a. or b.) that is closest in meaning to the given sentence.
Chọn câu (a hoặc b) có nghĩa giống nhất với câu đã cho.

1. I've never been on a bumpier plane ride.

a. The flight was bumpy. b. The flight wasn't bumpy.

2. I've never tasted hot chili peppers.

a. The peppers are hot. b. I haven't eaten hot chili peppers.



3. The house has never looked cleaner.

a. The house looks clean. b. The house doesn't look clean.

4. We've never visited a more beautiful city.

a. The city was beautiful. b. The city wasn't beautiful.

Part II. Listen to the sentences. Circle the sentence (a. or b.) that is closest in meaning to the one you hear. Nghe các câu sau. *Chọn câu (a hoặc b) có nghĩa giống nhất với các từ nghe được.*

5. a. His jokes are funny. b. His jokes aren't funny.

6. a. It tastes great. b. It doesn't taste very good.

7. a. The mattress is hard. b. I haven't slept on hard mattresses.
 8. a. The movie was scary. b. I haven't watched scary movies.



Exercise 37. Let's talk: interview (Chart 9-10)

Make questions with the given words and the superlative form.

Đặt câu hỏi với các từ đã cho có sử dụng dạng so sánh nhất.

1. what \ bad movie \ you have ever seen

-> *What is the worst movie you have ever seen?*

2. is / watch / most / What / interesting / sport / to / on TV? / the

-> _____

3. What / visited? / is / most / you / the / crowded / city / have ever

-> _____

4. Where / here? / best / is / restaurant / to / eat / around / the

-> _____

5. to / visit / is most / fun / What / place / in this area? / the /

-> _____

6. Who / kindest / the / person / you know? / is

-> _____

7. What / the / thing / is / in life? / most / important

-> _____

8. the / serious / most / problem / in the world? / What / is /

-> _____

9. Who / the / in the news / most / interesting / is / person / right now?

-> _____

Exercise 38. Game. (Charts 9-1 -> 9-10)

Write sentences using **as... as**, the comparative (**-er/more**), and the superlative (**-est/most**). *Viết các câu có sử dụng as... as, so sánh hơn (-er/more) và so sánh nhất (-est/most).*

Example: streets in this city: *wide / narrow / busy / dangerous*

-> *First Avenue is **wider** than Market Street.*

-> *Second Avenue is **nearly as wide as** First Avenue.*

-> *First Avenue is **narrower** than Interstate Highway 70.*

-> ***The busiest** street is Main Street.*

-> *Main Street is **busier** than Market Street.*

-> ***The most dangerous street** in the city is Olive Boulevard.*

1. a lemon, a grapefruit, and an orange: *sweet / sour / large / small*

2. a kitten, a cheetah, and a lion: *weak / powerful / wild / gentle / fast*

3. boxing, soccer, and golf: *dangerous / safe / exciting / boring*

4. the food at (*three places in this city where you have eaten*): *delicious / appetizing / inexpensive / good / bad*

Exercise 39. Looking at grammar. (Charts 9-1 - 9-10)

Complete the sentences with any appropriate form of the words in parentheses. Add any other necessary words. In some cases, more than one completion may be possible.
Hoàn thành các câu sau với từ phù hợp trong ngoặc. Thêm từ nếu cần. Trong một số câu có thể có nhiều hơn một đáp án đúng.

1. Lead is a very heavy metal. It is (*heavy*) heavier than gold or silver. It is one of (*heavy*) the heaviest metals of all.

2. Mrs. Cook didn't ask the children to clean up the kitchen. It was (*easy*) _____ for her to do it herself _____ to nag them to do it.

3. A car has two (*wheels*) _____ a bicycle.



4. Crocodiles and alligators are different. The snout of a crocodile is (*long*) _____ and (*narrow*) _____ than an alligator's snout. An alligator

has a (*wide*) _____ upper jaw than a crocodile.

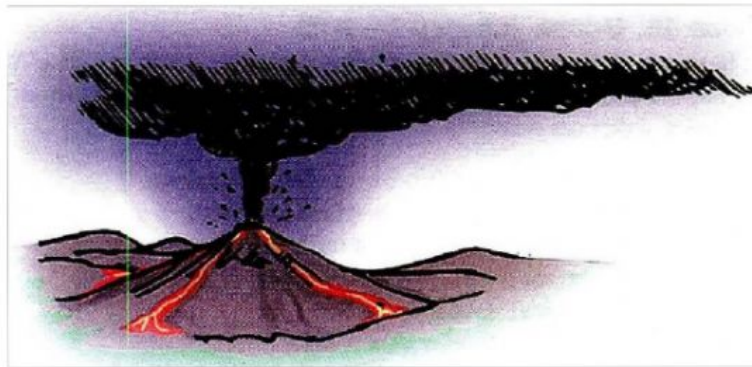
5. Although both jobs are important, being a teacher requires (*education*) _____ being a bus driver.

6. The Great Wall of China is (*long*) _____ structure that has ever been built.



7. Hannah Anderson is one of (*friendly*) _____ and (*delightful*) _____ people I've ever met.

8. One of (*famous*) _____ volcanoes _____ the world is Mount Etna in Sicily.



9. It's possible that the volcanic explosion of Krakatoa near Java in 1883 was (*loud*) _____ noise _____ recorded history. People heard it 2,760 miles/4,441 kilometers away.

10. (*hard*) _____ I tried, (*impossible*) _____ the math problem seemed.

11. World Cup Soccer is (*big*) _____ sporting event _____ the world. It is viewed on TV by (*people*) _____ any other event in sports.

12. When the temperature stays below freezing for a long period of time, the Eiffel Tower becomes six inches or fifteen centimeters (*short*) _____.

13. Young people have (*high*) _____ rate of automobile accidents _____ all drivers.



14. You'd better buy the tickets for the show soon. *(long)* _____ you wait, *(difficult)* _____ it will be for you to get good seats.



15. No animals can travel *(fast)* _____ birds. Birds are *(fast)* _____ animals -of all.

16. *(great)* _____ variety of birds _____ a single area can be found in the rainforests of Southeast Asia and India.

" The only person you should try to be better than is the person you were yesterday." - Anonymous

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