# English Language Skills Student Book

Science & Medical Level Two Unit Three



**Unit Objectives** 

- Comparative & Superlative Adjectives
- City and Country Life
- Have / Have got, Has / Has got
- Directions

# **Starter: Opposite Adjectives**

#### Do you remember the pictures below from Level 1?

Label the pictures with the suitable adjectives and their opposites



Remember that <u>adjectives</u> are used to describe nouns.

Ahmed is **tall** and Fatima is **short**.

Ahmed and Fatima are nouns

Tall and short are adjectives

## Exercise 1A:

## Circle the adjective and underline the noun it describes

**Example**: Ali and Fatima bought a new <u>house</u> in the city centre.

- 1) Noura caught the red ball.
- 2) The dog found a large stick.
- 3) My mother is a pretty lady.
- 4) The little tree is easy to climb.
- 5) Lisa likes driving fast cars.
- 6) The expensive watch wasn't in the bag when I looked.
- 7) Did Huda marry the handsome millionaire from Taif?
- 8) When can I see the new movie on TV?
- 9) We went to a luxurious hotel in Abu Dhabi.
- 10) Ask the tall player if he can be on our team.

## Exercise 1B:

## Write a 5-sentence paragraph describing a person or something. Then underline the adjectives.

## Example:

Riyadh is a <u>cosmopolitan</u> city. It has <u>expensive</u> but <u>delicious</u> restaurants. The people who live in Riyadh are always <u>busy</u>. My <u>best</u> friend lives in a <u>big</u> mansion in a very <u>nice</u> and <u>quite</u> neighbourhood. Last time I went to Riyadh, I saw a <u>famous</u> celebrity.



Write your short paragraph below;

## **Grammar Spot:** Adjectives

**Adjectives** describe nouns and are a wonderful way of making a sentence more interesting and exciting. **Adjectives** can be used in sentences without action verbs.

**Compare these sentences:** 

Riyadh is a city. It has many hotels.

Riyadh is a very **big** and **busy** city. It has many **big**, **modern**, and **expensive** hotels.

In English, **adjectives** are always placed before the noun they describe. (from left to right)

## Exercise 1C:

Here are some more adjectives. *Complete the worksheet. Fill in the gaps with the adjectives provided.* 

Pa	olite	hesitant	lucky	afraid	rude
so	orry	disappointed	proud	glad	surprised



# Exercise 1D:

#### Put the following into the correct column

Cheap	Factory	Fabulous	Exciting	Building
Air	Fresh	Tractor	Free	museum

Noun	Adjective
	Adjective Cheap

#### Exercise 2A:

#### Complete the worksheet on the next page

# City Life vs Country Life

<ul> <li>Easy life</li> <li>Easy access to culture (museums etc.)</li> <li>More job opportunities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Modern public transport</li> <li>More open spaces</li> <li>Lots of conveniences (shops, restaurants etc.)</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Helpful neighbours</li> <li>Peace and quiet</li> <li>Plenty of entertainment (cinema etc)</li> <li>Fabulous landscapes</li> <li>Attractive and exciting lifestyle</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Relaxed and healthy lifestyle</li> <li>Cheaper cost of living</li> <li>More housing options</li> <li>Good healthcare</li> <li>Close contact with nature</li> </ul>

# Put the above in the correct column





Country Life	City Life
	More job opportunities

#### Now, complete the gaps with the words below:



**Country Life**: Living in the countryside may be more relaxing but it can get

\_\_\_\_\_as life is slower.

There is not much to do to have \_\_\_\_\_

like going to the mall or shopping centres. It is also more \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to get to places because often there are no good public transport systems.
Getting a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in the country side may also be harder.
Most jobs are in the city, so people have to \_\_\_\_\_\_ there every day so this can be very \_\_\_\_\_.

crowded	lonely	dangerous	stressed	pollution	secure
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City Life: Living in the city may be exciting, but it's also

\_\_\_\_\_. The crime rate is high and

people may feel less \_\_\_\_\_\_ than in the countryside. Also, there is more

because of the cars. There are more traffic jams

because of the amount of cars. Cities are bigger and so they are more \_\_\_\_\_\_. City life is faster and people are often so busy and

\_\_\_\_\_\_ that they don't have much time to pay attention to their neighbours. Some people may also feel \_\_\_\_\_\_.

Exercise 2B:

Speaking Practice: In pairs, construct sentences using the information on the next page.



Make sentences comparing city life and country life.



#### **Exercise 2C:** Complete the table below.

<u>Step 1</u>. Match the adjectives in column (1) with the adjectives in column (3). Write the matching codes in column (2).

<u>Step 2.</u> Write the comparative forms of the adjectives in column (3) and their corresponding comparatives in column (4).

Adjectives (1)	(2)	Opposites (3)	Comparative Adjectives (3)	Comparative Opposites (4)
1. fast	1_ <u>b_</u>	a. cheap	1. faster than	Slower than
2. big		b. slow	2.	
3. dirty		c. friendly	3.	
4. dangerous		d. clean	4.	
5. noisy		e. modern	5.	
6. unfriendly		f. safe	6.	
7. old		g. boring	7.	
8. exciting		h. small	8.	
9. expensive		i. quiet	9.	

NOTE for the Students: It is crucial that you use the verb be (am, is, are) in every sentence when using any form of an adjective.

It's also important to use 'than' before you mention the comparative and noun.

## **<u>Grammar Spot</u>:** Comparative Adjectives

How do we change adjectives to the comparative form?

When do we use .....'er than' and when do we use 'more than'?

Rule of Thumb: If an adjective has 5 letters or less, then we use ....er than.

If an adjective has more than 5 letters, then we use *more + adjective + than*. **Some adjectives**, which have 5 or 6 letters, may be able to use **both forms.**\*\*\*

#### **Exercise 3A:**

Making comparatives:

Using the above 'Rule of thumb', complete the table on the next page

Adjective	Comparative
young	younger ** <u>than**</u>
happy	
beautiful	
big	
busy	
Intelligent	
smart	
*bad	
*good	
*far	

## **Exercise 3B:**

#### Choose the correct sentence

1a. My sister is more young than me.1b. My sister is younger than me.

2a. The airbus 830 is newer than the 747.2b. The airbus 830 newer than the 747.

3a. City life is good than country life.3b. City life is better than country life.

4a. Your apartment is nicer than mine.4b. Your apartment is more nice than mine.

5a. German is much more difficulter than English.5b. German is much more difficult than English.

6a. Today's weather is worse than yesterday's weather.6b. Today's weather is badder than yesterday's weather.













## Have (American) and Have got

Listening Practice – "Allan's got a better job" (Allan has + got = Allan's got)





**Exercise 4A:** 

Your teacher will **read** a conversation between two friends, Allan and Mishary. Allan is British and Mishary is Saudi. Allan worked in Riyadh, but he moved to Yanbu Al Bahr, a small city near the sea. They're talking on the phone.

#### A. Circle T for true or F for false.

a. Allan's job in Yanbu is worse than his job in Riyadh.	Т	F
b. Alan's flat (apartment) in Yanbu is bigger and cheaper.	Т	F
c. Allan doesn't have any friends in Yanbu.	Т	F
d. People were friendlier in Riyadh than in Yanbu.	Т	F
e. Yanbu is less interesting than Riyadh.	т	F

## <u>Grammar Spot</u> – Have / Have got

Have and have got, both express possession. We often use have got in spoken British English.

I have a computer. (American) = I've got a computer. (British) (I've= I have)

- He has a car = He's got a car (He's +got = He has got)
- Do you have a large flat? = Have you got a computer?

Does she **have** a nice house? = **Has** she got a nice house?

They don't **have** a big apartment. = They **haven't** got a big apartment

## **Exercise 4B:** Circle the correct answer

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ Rayan have an uncle in Hail?
  - b) Have
  - c) Has
  - d) Does

- 2. Alice got an iPhone?
  a) She
  b) Have
  c) Has
  d) Did
- 4. Huda has \_\_\_\_\_\_a headache today.
  a) get
  b) got
  c) getted
  d) have

3	the children have money?
a) They	
b) Do	
c) Has	
d) Have	

- 6. The teachers \_\_\_\_\_\_ a break now.a) have
  - b) has got
  - c) getting
  - d) having

- 5. <u>Amal</u> Alice's bag.
  - a) has get
  - b) has got c) have
  - d) have got

- 7.  $\underline{\qquad}$  got a red pen? a) You
  - b) Have you
  - c) Has you
  - d) Are

a) are b) got c) do d) don't

8. Doctors\_\_\_\_\_ have time to relax.

- 10. Jana \_\_\_\_\_\_ any students in her class.
  - a) haven't got
  - b) hasn't get
  - c) does not haven't
  - d) hasn't got

- 9. The engineer \_\_\_\_\_some tools in the bag.a) hasb) have
  - c) hasn't get
  - d) doesn't has

#### **<u>Grammar Spot</u>** – Superlatives

We use superlative adjectives when we compare more than two items, people, cities, etc....

**Example**: Saudi Arabia is the <u>largest</u> country in the Middle East.

How many countries are there in the Middle East? More than two? We chose only one of many countries.

\*\*\*\*To understand and use 'comparative' and 'superlative' adjectives always ask yourself – "Am I describing one thing (adj.), comparing two things (comparative adj.), or, more than two (superlative)?



\*\*\*\* There are some irregular adjectives also -

Irregular Adjective	Comparative (2 subjects)	Superlative (2+ subjects)
good	better than	the best
bad	worse than	the worst
m <b>uch</b>	more than	the most
less	less / lesser than	the least
far	farther than/further than	the farthest/ the furthest



## Exercise 5A

#### Complete the table of adjectives below.

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative		
young	younger **than**	the youngest		
happy				
beautiful				
big	bigger than			
busy				
intelligent	more intelligent than			
smart				
bad	worse than			
good				
far				

#### Getting around in your city – Giving Directions

#### Here are some directional words to help you.

Along	down	into	out of	over	past	through	under	up	over
(students	s can write	the Aral	bic translat	ion here	e.)				

#### **Exercise 5B**

#### Underline the correct answer



Faisal drove **over / through** the bridge.

Fatima drove her car along / into the garage





We drove along / past the road

#### First, he drove **up /down** the hill and then he drove **up / down** at a very high speed



Maryam drove her small car through / past / over the tunnel.



#### **Cardinal Directions**

#### Translate the following into Arabic



English	Arabic
North	
South	
East	
West	
Northwest	
Northeast	
Southwest	
Southeast	

air (_noun) ءاوه	huge ()
bridge ()	humid ()
building ()	identify ()
busy ()	independence ()
characteristic ()	intelligent ()
clean ()	kind ()
clever ()	library ()
climate ()	loud ()
comfortable ()	luxurious ()
commercial ()	metropolitan ()
commuter ()	modern ()
cosmopolitan ()	_
mountain ()	
countryside / country (not the city)	
corporate ()	mysterious ()
crowded ()	museum ()
dangerous ()	noisy ()
describe ()	destination ()
population ()	
dirty ()	popular()
diverse ()	))
exciting ()	pretty ()
elegant ()	quiet ()
empire ()	railway system ()
enthusiastic ()	real ()
exhibition ()	river ()
expensive ()	rural ()
factory ()	safe ()
famous ()	salaries ()
fast ()	secure ()

# **Vocabulary**



# End of Unit 3

