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Adjectives / Adverbs / Comparisons Test A1 – A2 Grammar Exercises

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Explanations

1. Bob is 79. Valerie is 79, too, so she is _____ Bob.
✔ **D) as old as**
Bob and Valerie are the same age, so we use **as old as**. Not **older than**, because she isn't older.

2. A: Of all the capital cities in the world, which city is _____ to the Equator?

B: Quito. It is only 15 miles from it.
✔ **B) the closest**
We compare Quito with all the capital cities in the world, so we use **the** + **-est**: **the closest**.

3. A: Don't forget to say "please" when you want something from someone, dear. It is _____ than just asking.

B: I understand, mum.
✔ **A) politer**
The word **than** is already in the sentence, so we only need the comparative **politer**. Not **politer than**, because then **than** would come twice.

4. Alexander is 75 kilograms. Nick is 97 kilograms so Alexander is _____ Nick.
✔ **C) not as heavy as**
Alexander weighs less than Nick, so he is **not as heavy as** Nick.

5. A: You look very _____ in this dress.

B: Thank you. You are very _____.
✔ **D) nice / kind**
After **look** and **be** we use an adjective, not an adverb: **You look nice. You are kind.**

6. A: He is shouting at those children _____. Do you know why?

B: Because they damaged his _____ car.
✔ **C) angrily / expensive**
Angrily tells us how he is shouting, so it is an adverb. **Expensive** describes the car, so it is an adjective.

7. A: Caroline's guitar is very _____. I liked the woodwork on it.

B: And she plays it quite _____.
✔ **D) beautiful / well**
Beautiful describes the guitar, so it is an adjective. **Well** tells us how she plays. It is the adverb of **good**.

8. We can win the game. They can win the game, too, because they are _____ us.
✔ **B) as strong as**
Both teams can win, so they are equal: **as strong as** us.

9. A: The rain is _____ it was yesterday.

B: Yes. Thank God, we are _____ today and can stay home.
✔ **A) heavier than / free**
The word **than** is needed to compare today with yesterday: **heavier than**. After **are** we use an adjective: **free**.

10. London is 45 km away from our city, but Oxford is 78 km away. Therefore, London is _____ to our city _____ Oxford.
✔ **B) closer / than**
London is nearer than Oxford, so we use a comparative with **than**: **closer … than**.

11. A: This pillow doesn't feel _____ at all.

B: It is an extra firm pillow. It isn't soft, but I can sleep _____ on it.
✔ **D) soft / comfortably**
After **feel** we use an adjective: **soft**. **Comfortably** tells us how I sleep, so it is an adverb.

12. I think you can work with either of the lawyers. They are both successful and the first one is _____ the other.
✔ **B) as experienced as**
You can work with either lawyer, so they are equal: **as experienced as** the other. Not **not as experienced as**, because then one would be better.

13. A: You sounded _____ on the phone this morning. Is everything OK?

B: I'm not _____. Don't worry.
✔ **C) sad / bad**
After **sound** and **be** we use adjectives, not adverbs: **sad** and **bad**.

14. I think your friend is _____ girl in this beauty contest. I'm sure she will be the new queen.
✔ **B) the most beautiful**
She is compared with all the girls in the contest, so we use **the most** + adjective: **the most beautiful**. Not **more beautiful than**, because there is no **than** part after the gap.

15. Rebecca is usually _____ Beatrice because she is _____ her. She loves interacting with people.
✔ **C) more friendly than / more extroverted than**
We compare two people, so we use comparatives with **than**: **more friendly than** (**friendlier than** is also possible) and **more extroverted than**.

16. Edgar is _____ at tennis _____ his sister because he has practised a lot, too.
✔ **A) as good / as**
Edgar and his sister play at the same level: **as good at tennis as**. Not **as well**, because after **be** we need the adjective **good**.

17. _____ way to peel tomatoes is to keep them in hot water for some time first.
✔ **A) The easiest**
This is the best of all the ways, so we use **the easiest**.

18. A: Who is _____ student in your class?

B: Aaron. Everyone is _____ him.
✔ **D) the tallest / shorter than**
Aaron is taller than all the other students: **the tallest**. So everyone else is **shorter than** him.

19. Sally finishes this job in two hours, but Thelma finishes it in an hour. Definitely, Sally doesn't work _____ Thelma.
✔ **A) as quickly as**
Thelma is faster, so Sally doesn't work **as quickly as** Thelma. **Quickly** tells us how she works.

20. Jazz music is not _____ in Turkey _____ pop music, but still, you can go to many jazz festivals here.
✔ **B) as popular / as**
After **is** we use an adjective. The pattern is **not as popular as**. Not **more popular … as**, because **more** goes with **than**.

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