

## Exercises

1 Complete the sentences using a comparative form (older / more important etc.).

- 1 It's too noisy here. Can we go somewhere quieter ?
- 2 This coffee is very weak. I like it a bit .....
- 3 The hotel was surprisingly big. I expected it to be .....
- 4 The hotel was surprisingly cheap. I expected it to be .....
- 5 The weather is too cold here. I'd like to live somewhere .....
- 6 My job is a bit boring sometimes. I'd like to do something .....
- 7 It's a pity you live so far away. I wish you lived .....
- 8 I was surprised how easy it was to use the computer. I thought it would be .....
- 9 Your work isn't very good. I'm sure you can do .....
- 10 Don't worry. The situation isn't so bad. It could be .....
- 11 I was surprised we got here so quickly. I expected the journey to take .....
- 12 You're talking very loudly. Can you speak a bit ..... ?
- 13 You hardly ever phone me. Why don't you phone me ..... ?
- 14 You're standing too near the camera. Can you move a bit ..... away?
- 15 You were a bit depressed yesterday, but you look ..... today.

2 Complete the sentences. Each time use the comparative form of one of the words in the box. Use than where necessary.

big	crowded	<del>early</del>	easily	high	important
interested	peaceful	<del>reliable</del>	serious	simple	thin

- 1 I was feeling tired last night, so I went to bed earlier than usual.
  - 2 I'd like to have a more reliable car. The one I've got keeps breaking down.
  - 3 Unfortunately her illness was ..... we thought at first.
  - 4 You look ..... Have you lost weight?
  - 5 I want a ..... flat. We don't have enough space here.
  - 6 He doesn't study very hard. He's ..... in having a good time.
  - 7 Health and happiness are ..... money.
  - 8 The instructions were very complicated. They could have been .....
  - 9 There were a lot of people on the bus. It was ..... usual.
  - 10 I like living in the countryside. It's ..... living in a town.
  - 11 You'll find your way around the town ..... if you have a good map.
  - 12 In some parts of the country, prices are ..... in others.
- 3 Read the situations and complete the sentences. Use a comparative form (-er or more ...).
- 1 Yesterday the temperature was six degrees. Today it's only three degrees.  
It's colder today than it was yesterday.
  - 2 The journey takes four hours by car and five hours by train.  
It takes .....
  - 3 Dave and I went for a run. I ran ten kilometres. Dave stopped after eight kilometres.  
I ran .....
  - 4 Chris and Joe both did badly in the test. Chris got 30%, but Joe only got 25%.  
Joe did .....
  - 5 I expected my friends to arrive at about 4 o'clock. In fact they arrived at 2.30.  
My friends .....
  - 6 You can go by bus or by train. The buses run every 30 minutes. The trains run every hour.  
The buses .....
  - 7 We were very busy at work today. We're not usually as busy as that.  
We .....