







INVESTICE DO ROZVOJE VZDĚLÁVÁNÍ

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Gramatická cvičení na úrovni zvládnutého 2. ročníku dle ŠVP

Uncountable nouns

water a little water, a glass of water, a gallon of water, an ocean of water

oil a drop of oil, a spoonful of oil, a tank of oil, a gallon of oil

glass a pane of glass

jam a pot of jam, a jar of jam

soap a cake of soap

sand a grain of sand, tons of sand, a bucket of sand

advicepapera piece of advicea sheet of paper

Use the following words in sentences as countables and uncountables

glass 1. Glass is made from sand. I have a vase made from cut glass.

2. I broke a glass this morning. I had two glasses of water.

ice 1. Would you like an ice (cubes)?

2. Ice flows.

iron 1. I've got a new iron.

2. Steel is an alloy of iron.

paper 1. Have you already read today papers? What do the papers say?

2. Paper is made from wood.

Use the following words both in singular and plular and explain the difference in meaning

damage I had a car accident. There was some damage on it and I had to claim

damages from my insurance company.

good To study English at university is only for my good.

The shop assistant put new goods on the shelf.

force The room was entered by force. While opening this can, I had to use all my

force.

Brian joined the Forces.

The United Nations' forces were placed in Afghanistan to guarantee safety

meassures during parliamentary elections.

honour She passed exams with honours (flying collours).

It's my honour to inform you that you are awarded this year Oscar.

Use genitive form (not of-construction) with following expressions

eagles' nest

actress/career actress's career women/clothes women's clothes students/hostel students' hostel John and Mary's club John and Mary/club brother-in-law/face brother-in-law's face Pythagoras/Theorem Pythagoras' Theorem Russia's exports Russia/exports boys/school boys' school Archimedes/Law Archimedes' Law the Smiths/car the Smiths' car Charles/address Charles's address

eagles/nest

Charles' address

Think of at least four living beings that may be expressed by three words concerning their gender, e.g. one masculine, one feminine, and one common gender expression

boy girl child son daughter child father mother parent king queen monarch, ruler czar czarina monarch, ruler Sultana monarch, ruler Sultan don donna people manservant maidservant servant boar sow pig bird, fowl cock hen

With what gender we usually conect this animals?

elephantmasculinecatfemininedogmasculineeaglemasculineparrotfeminineflymasculinecanarymasculine

Give example sentences with these nouns when used in plural

colours 1. hues: After the rain there was a rainbow with ful scale of colours.

2. regimental flag: When going to battle, every detechment/unit wore its

colours.

draughts 1. a game: We played draughts the whole afternoon.

2. currents of air: With autumn coming, we can feel cold draughts from the

North.

spirits 1. soul: In the past people believed that deceased lost their spirits with

their last breathig out/expiration.

- 2. alcoholic liquors: On the board of a plane you can buy cheap spirits.
- 3. mental or moral attitude: After winning the match, the team were in high spirits.

grounds

- 1. land (usually enclosed) round a house: It's not usual to build a house on large grounds these days.
- 2. reason: What are your grounds for such a silly complaint?
- 3. dregs: Some people claim to be able to tell the future from grounds.

compasses

- 1. instruments for navigation: Chinese are told to have invented compasses.
- 2. instruments for drawing circles: Children use compasses in Geometry.

Give two different plural forms of these words and explain the differences in meaning

index 1. indexes (tables of contents)

2. indices (algebraical signs)

die 1. dies (metal stamps for making money)

2. dice (small cubes of bone or wood used in games of chance)

cloth 1. cloths (different pieces of kinds of cloth)

2. clothes (articles of dress)

penny 1. pennies (separate coins)

2. pence (collective value)

Give example sentences with these nouns when used in plurals

sands the sands of the Saharawaters the waters of the Black sea

wines This region produces some awful wines as well as good ones.

weathers We go out in all weathers.
fishes the fishes of the Mediterranean

Morphology - Verbs - Tense, aspect, voice

1. Translate the following sentences using the auxiliary do

1. Tak už buď ticho! 1. Do be quiet!

2. Máš často bolesti hlavy?2. Do you often have headaches?(Have you got a headache? - právě teď)

3. Nechal sis opravit ty hodinky?

3. Did you have your watch repaired?

4. Nebuď hloupý. 4. Don't be silly!

5. Co způsobuje tato změna?
5. What does this change cause?
(What causes this change? – Co

způsobuje tuto změnu?)

6. Ale vždyť já jsem mu to řekl! 6. But I did tell him!

7. Odešel ze školy o rok dřív než já.
7. He left the school a year earlier than I

did.

8. Ona ti nic neřekla, že ne? 8. She didn't tell you anythig, did she?

2. Put the verbs in the secon column in the correct tense form

		Key:
1. The earth round the sun.	revolve	revolves
2. I what you mean	see	see
3. The river very fast after last night's rain.	flow	is flowing
4. We to Paris on Friday, we from London airport.	go/leave	are going, are leaving
5. Moore to Charleton and he a quick pass to Booth.	pass/make/	passes, makes
Booth away with the ball, but he his advantage.	be/lose	is, is losing
6. First you some water. Then you the teapot and	boil/warm/add	boil, warm,
three teaspoon of tea.		add
7. I a word with Julian this morning.	have	had
8. I if you could give me a lift.	wonder	wondered/
,		was
		wondering
9. We our breakfast when the clock time.	have/strike	were
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		having,
		struck
10. Last summer, when he there, Roger mistakes all	work/make	worked,
the time.	WOIN HARC	was
the time.		making
11. I for you for two hours. (neutral statement)	wait	have
11.1 for you for two hours. (neutral statement)	wait	waited
12. I for you for two hours! (emotions, consequences	wait	have been
at present: Kde jsi?!)	wait	waiting
13. When I home, I that Jill her room with one wall	get/find/naint	got, found,
yet to be done.	get/illid/pallit	have/had
yet to be done.		been
		painting
14 the deer open for ma place? you	hold	1
14 the door open for me please? – you	IIOIU	•
15. Dry the and of this year they are the distingury for five	vvo alz	hold
15. By the end of this year they on the dictionary for five	work	will have been
years.		
(the past in the future)	/	working
16. When he in 1961, hethat in 1981 happily for 20	marry/expect/	married,
years.	be married	expected,
		would
		have been
		married

3. Explain the following use of the respective modal auxiliaries

- 1. John will still be reading his paper.
- 2. Should you change your mind, please, let us know.
- 3. Will you open the window?
- 4. I shan't be long.

- 1. prediction about a present action
- 2. distant possibility,: Kdybyste si to SNAD rozmysleli, ...
- 3. polite request
- 4. intention of the speaker,: Nebude mi to dlouho trvat.

- 5. We needn't have booked the cottage.
- 6. Every morning he would go for a walk.
- 7. That would be his mother.
- 8. You shall do as I say.

- 5. but we did, we booked it in vain,: Taky jsme ji nemuseli zamlovat.
- 6. characteristic activity in the past,: chodíval, chodívával
- 7. probability: patrně bude
- 8. insistance,: Ty budeš dělat, ...

Change the sentences below in the way indicated by the detailed instructions. Against each new sentence, provide one or more of the following labels for the new phrase you have formed

pesent (ie present tense)
past (ie past tense)
M (ie modal)

perf. (ie perfective) prog. (ie progressive) pass. (ie passive)

A. Rephrase, with the verb in passive

- 1. You never take me to a restaurant.
- 2. We choose you as our spokesman.
- 3. They don't sell this drug without a prescription.
- 4. Somebody shut the door in my face.
- 5. The dog bit several people badly.
- 6. I must do this exercise again.
- 7. We can see the signal clearly from here.
- 8. Nobody could beat him in those days.
- 9. The municipality is building two new bridges.
- 10. They were driving the catle into trucks.
- 11. Someone has eaten all the bread.
- 12. The storm had sunk two of our boats.

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- 2. You are/You have been chosen as our spokesman.
- 3. This drug is not sold without a prescription.
- 4. The door was shut in my face.
- 5. Several people were badly bitten by the dog.
- 6. This exercise must be done again.
- 7. The signal can be seen clearly from here.
- 8. He couldn't be beaten in those days.
- 9. Two new bridges are being built by the municipality.
- 10. The catle were being driven into trucks.
- 11. All the bread has been eaten.
- 12. Two of our boats had been sunk by the storm.

B. Rephrase, with the verb in the progressive

- 1. I sit here by myself all day long.
- 2. My father ages rapidly.
- 3. It rained hard during the night.
- 4. You told us about your engagement.
- 5. I have bought some presents for the children.
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C. Rephrase, with the verb in the perfective

- 1. He sleeps through every lecture.
- 2. You never show any interest.
- 1. He has slept through every lecture.
- 2. You have never shown any interest.

- 3. I never met her before then.
- 4. The meeting began before my arrival.
- 5. She must be very unhappy.
- 6. I could bind it easily yesterday.
- 3. I had never met her before then.
- 4. The meeting had begun before my arrival.
- 5. She must have been very unhappy.
- 6. I could have bound it easily yesterday.

Use the following irregular verbs in sentences both in their past tense and past participle forms

leapt/leaped leap leapt/leaped The trapeze artist leapt/leapped high He had leapt/leaped on a horse and into the air. galloped across the field. show showed showed/shown We were shown horrible pictures of He showed no air of regret after his offensive speach. children from developing countries suffering from malnutrition. sit sat sat Having sat on the soffa, he was He sat on the chair and imediatelly jumped up as if there was a needle. reading the book whole Sunday afternoon. flee fled fled During the local floods, thousands of When the peaceful treaty was signed, civillians, who had fled the villagers fled the country. coutry, returned home. deal dealt dealt During the berakfast he dealt out three The matter is being dealt by local sandwiches apiece. consellor. He dealt a boy a scolding. He has been dealt three aces. burn burnt/burned burnt/burned While cooking his dinner, he burnt a It is forbidden dry grass to be burnt in (the) spring. I have burnt the midnight oil. That's The sun burnt his shoulders badly. why I'm tired now. broadcast broadcast broadcast Yesterday at 10 p.m., TV station CT2 Radio comentary on tomorrow broadcast the last ellection results. football match is broacast at 5 p.m. born/borne bear Those, who were born in 1992, Three tiger cubs bore in one litter in the local ZOO last year, which was please, change your driving licence considered to be enormous achievement. till the end of the year. strike struck struck We were having our breakfast when the I was struck hearing the news about clock sruck nine. his car accident.

I. Insert the appropriate relative pronoun:

- 1. There is not much ... can be done.
- 2. Here is the car about ... I told you.
- 3. Was it you ... broke the window.
- 4. ... am I talking to?

- 1. that
- 2. which
- 3. that
- 4. who(m)

5. The man ... she was talking to is my uncle. 5. that, who, -6. Yesterday was one of the coldest days ... I have ever known. 6. that 7. Our cat Jerry, ... is 14 years old, is still pretty wild. 7. who (named) 8. Our team, ... has just won the semifinals, never disappoints the 8. which (who have) fans. 9. Take ... you like. 9. whatever 10. Tell me ...you want to know. 10. what 11. I love to read about people and things ... interest me. 11. that 12. ... would you prefer? Tea or coffee? 12. Which

II. Insert the following pronouns where suitable (some of them may be used more than once):

neither every each anything all any either (the) other some something

1 England was against it.	1. All
2. He is inch of a gentleman.	2. every
3 must do his best.	3. Each
4. Can I have to eat now, mother?	4. something
5. If there is left, please let me know.	5. anything
6. Bring me a pen or pencil, will do.	6. either
7. Not that one. Hand me book.	7. the other
8of the two statements is correct.	8. Neither
9. I have a lesson other day.	9. every (stress!)
10. Come day you like.	10. any
11. May I have time for myself?	11. some
12. There are ways of doing this exercise.	12. other

IV. Insert the, a/an, or zero article where suitable:

1, the
2. The
3. a (to clasify people for tangible reason)
4. a (example of the class)
5. a
6, the
7, the,

Articles

1. ... men used to live in ...caves but ... few people make homes in them now.

- 2. ... beacon was ... light or fire used as ... signal to give warning of ... danger.
- 3. ... beacons are now placed on ... top of ... mountains or on ... rock in ... sea to guide ... planes or ... ships.
- 4. To grow ... corn, ... farmers sow ... seed in ... spring. That is ... season when many trees are in ... flower.
- 5. ... fruit ripens in ... autumn and then ... leaves of ... certain trees fall.
- 6. ... summer is ... warmest season, but ... summer 1971 was unusually cool.
- 7. ... chief occupation of ... population of ... India is ... agriculture. ... India's population is enormous, and ... large part of it still works in ... fields.
- 8. ... last week we performed ... experiment to see how ... rust forms on ... metal.
 - We dipped ... pieces of ... iron in ... water and left them for ... half ... hour.
 - Then we examined them under ... microscope.
 - After ... few days, ... rust had become quite thick.
- 9. ... wild animals never kill for ... sport. ... man is ... only animal to whom ... torture and ... death of his fellow creatures is amusing.
- 10. ... half of ... world cannot understand ... pleasures of ... other.
- 11. I want ... information about ... latest developments in ... cancer research.
- 12. ... first article in ... English Journal is interesting, ... arguments in it are sound, but ... statements in ... third paragraph are not entirely accurate, and ... figures are out of ... date.
- 13. What would you like for ... breakfast? ... eggs and ... bacon? ... tea or ... coffee?
- 14. I don't eat much in ... morning. If I have ... big breakfast all I need for ... lunch is ... salad and ... glass of ... milk.
- 15. If I have ... big supper, I can't sleep at ... night.
- 16. Long before the birth of ... Christopher Columbus, ... people in ... Europe believed that ... land of ... plenty, with ... perfect climate, lay to ... west across ... Atlantic Ocean.
- 17. ... Aswam Dam holds back ... flood waters of ... Blue Nile and ... Atbara.
- 18. ... Japanese use ... same kind of ... writing as ... Chinese.
- 19. ... London University has ... more students than ... University of ... Oxford. Many of ... students of ... former study at ... home or in ... British Museum.
- 20. I believe ... souls of ... five hundred Sir Isaac Newtons would go to ... making of ... Shakespeare or ... Milton.
- 21. ... object of ... government in ... peace and ... war is not ... glory of ... rulers or of ... races but ... happiness of ... common man.
- 22. One day, about ... noon, ... Robinson Crusoe was surprised to see ... print of ... man's naked foot on ... shore.
 He could see it very clearly in ... sand.
- 23. ... medicine can be very unpleasant, even dangerous.

- 2. a, a, a, -
- 3. -, the, -, a the, -, -
- 4. -, -, (the) the, -
- 5. -, -, the, -
- 6. -, the, the
- 7. The, the, -, -, a
 the
- 8. -, an, -
 - --, -, -, an a
- 9. -, -, -, the a, -

a. -

- 10. -, the, the, the
- 11. -, the, -
- 12. The, the, the the, the
- 13. , -, -
- 14. the, a -/a, -, a, -
- 15. a, -
- 16. -, --, a, -, a the, the
- 17. The, the, the the
- 18. The, the, -, the
- 19. , -, the , -, the, the, -, the
- 20. the, the, a, a
- 21. The, -, -, -, the -, -, the, the
- 22. -, a, a, the the
- 23. -

remedy can be worse than disease and it can cure disease and kill patient.	The, the, the, the
24 little fire burns up great deal of corn.	24. A, a, -
25 Andrew is studying Roman law at University and Paul	25, - , -, -
is doing research in either sixteenth century literature, or	-, -
literature of early renaissance – I don't know which.	the (subject), the
26. I'm going to town by bus and coming back on train.	26, - (by+bus), the
I'll come by 2.15 train, I think.	the (specified)
27. John Smart was trained as lawyer. Then he took up politics	27. a, - (pactivities)
and was returned as member of parliament.	a, -
He was appointed junior minister in White administration, and	a, the
was later made Minister of Interior.	-, the
28. We went on board of Canton in evening and sailed during	28, the, the
nigth. We were then at sea for six weeks: that is why we were	the, -
away at Christmas and New Year.	-, -
29. My brother has very good job. He is Director of	29. a, a
department in new factory down by sea, with seat	a, a, the, a
on board.	the
30 love of money is root of allevil.	30. The, -, the, -

Generic or specific reference

Write gen. or spec. to indicate whether the noun underlined has generic or specific reference:

0 1	O	1	J	J
1. <u>The pen</u> is mightier than <u>the sword</u> .	1. generic, generic			
2. The pen I bought yesterday has broken already.	2. specific			
3. There is <u>a cat</u> on the roof.	3. specific			
4. A cat is a small domestic animal.	4. generic			
5. <u>Cats</u> have been domesticated for centuries.	5. generic			
6. There were <u>cats</u> everywhere.	6. specific			
7. <u>The Japanese</u> work very hard.	7. generic			
8. The <u>Japanese</u> were listening patiently.	8. specific			
9. The Welsh love to sing in chorus.	9. generic			
10. The Welshmen were singing lustily.	10. specific			

Adjective or adverb?

Indicate by *adj* if the final word of the sentence is an adjective, or by *adv* if it is an adverb:

1. The sun burnt the grass quickly.	1. adv
2. It burnt the grass black.	2. adj
3. He drove his employees hard.	3. adv
4. He drove some of them mad.	4. adj
5. I find this very unlikely.	5. adj
6. We found the people friendly.	6. adj
7. This made everyone late.	7. adj
8. I have made his acquaitance lately.	8. adv
9. The doctor soon made the patient well.	9. adj
10. We can make breakfast early.	10. both
11. What made my bed so hard?	11. adj
12. We shall leave house early.	12. adv

13. We shall leave the room empty.	13. adj
14. I can paint your hall pink.	14. adj
15. I can paint this wall fast.	15. adv
16. Pull the rope hard.	16. adv
17. Pull the rope tight.	17. adj
18. He turned the coner well.	18. adv
19. The heat turnes the milk sour.	19. adj
20. You must wiped the windscreen clear.	20. adj

Adjective phrases

Rewrite the following sentences, replacing the relative clause in each by an adjective phrase, remembering that such a phrase can be realized by a single word:

- 1. Will all students who are married please raise their hands?
- 2. Will all students who are interested write their names on the list?
- 3. I don't wish to know the names of the people who were involved.
- 4. All the women who were present looked up in alarm.
- 5. We should call the doctor who is nearest.
- 6. We must call the doctor who is concerned.
- 7. What are the best seats that are available?
- 8. Can you recommend something that is really interesting?
- 9. I have a problem that is much more complicated.
- 10. I have a problem that is much more complicated than that.
- 11. The road that is best to take is the A 40.
- 12. The people who are most difficult to understand are often members of one's own family.
- 13. I have never met a person who was so difficult to understand as my husband.
- 14. You couldn't find anyone who is more

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difficult.

15. What I would like to do is to go somewhere where it is really quiet.

difficult.

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Adjective as head of a noun phrase

Replace the phrase underlined by a noun phrase with an adjective head as head, when such replacement is permissible.

- 1. Robin Hood robbed <u>rich people</u> in orer to pay <u>those who were poor</u>.
- 2. <u>The injured people</u> were conveyed in ambulance to the General hospital.
- 3. The injured man lay unatteded for several hours.
- 4. If those who are blind lead others who are blind, both will fall into the ditch.
- 5. He sat there as silent as if he were <u>a dumb</u> man.
- 6. Does anyone know the <u>dead man's name?</u>
- 7. Always speek well of <u>those who have</u> died.
- 8. I fear he is no longer in the land <u>of those</u> who live.
- 9. Fear of what is unknown often makes people conservative.
- 10. Nothing is so certain to happen as something that we do not expect.
- 11. These seats are reserved for men who have been disabled.
- 12. The English country gentleman galloping after a fox what is unspeakable in full pursuit of something he cannot eat.
- 13. Wise men are often confounded by a foolish man.
- 14. The nurse sleeps sweetly, hired to watch those who are sick, whom, snoring, she disturbs.
- 15. Have you heard the latest news?

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- 5. Nelze
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Verbless adjective clauses

When it is possible to do so, rewrite the following sentences using a verbless adjective clause.

- 1. The men were eager to begin the climb and they rose at first light.
- 2. The summit, which was bare and bleak, towered above them.
- 3. They studied the cliff face: it was perpendicular.
- 1. Eager to begin the climb, the men rose at first light.
- 2. The summit, bare and bleak, towered above them.
- 3. Nelze

- 4. They found a ledge which was narrow enough for one man.
- 5. They were thoroughly exhausted as they crawled into their sleeping bags.
- 6. They could hardly stand, as they were stiff in every joint.
- 7. When the snow was fresh, it afforded no sure foothold.
- 8. The wind was keen as a razor and drove them back into the shelter of their tent.

- 4. They found a ledge narrow enough for one man.
- 5. Thoroughly exhausted, they crawled into their sleeping bags.
- 6. Stiff in every joint, they could hardly stand.
- 7. When fresh, the snow afforded no sure foothold.
- 8. The wind, keen as a razor, drove them back into the shelter of their tent.

Form <u>adverbs</u> of the following <u>adjectives</u> and use both parts of speech in sentences

	<u>Adjective</u>	<u>Adverb</u>
fast	A fast (adj) train is one that goes fast	The door was fast shut.
	(adv).	
	He made a fast fortune.	
silly	Don't be silly.	He behaved in a silly way.
full	I'm full . I can't eat any more.	The future is not fully integrated in
		the system of tenses.
single	He is single .	Some guests came singly, others in
		groups.
pretty	She is such a pretty girl.	She smiled prettily.
shy	He is such a shy person.	She behaved sh<u>y</u>ly.
fatherly	As a stepfather, he took on fatherly	The teacher gave the boy counsel in a
	responsibilities.	fatherly manner.
hard	I work hard (adv) because I enjoy hard	I work hard and play hard .
	work (adj).	He drove his emploeeys hard.
		I did hardly any work today.
cheap	I bought a cheap suit.	I bought this car cheap/cheaply (both
		adv).
dry	Is this wood dry enough to burn?	His lecture in 16th century literature
	The land is as dry as a bone.	was given $dr\underline{y}ly/dr\underline{i}ly$. = in a way
		that is amusing, but you don't notice
		this at first

Give comparatives and superlatives of the following $\underline{adverbs}$. If there are two possibilities, explain the differences in meaning

late	later /leutə/	latest
pozdě,	The <u>later</u> you come, the less you	I'll ring you on Friday at the latest.
nedávno	learn.	last
	I'll let you know <u>later</u> .	!!! Normaly only <u>last</u> is used as an
	See you <u>later</u> .	adverb: That was a difficult question,
	Soner or <u>later</u> .	so we answered it <u>last</u> .
	I'll do it <u>later</u> on.	It <u>last</u> rained eight months ago (= The
		last time)
often	more/less often	most/least often
	1 64	

less common: **oftener**

much more most

> You should ride more. I use this room most.

Of+noun+comparatives: in formal Before adj or adv = very: He was most

apologetic. style

Of the (two) boys, John behaves the He behaved most generously.

more politely. Of+noun+ superlatives: in formal

style

Of the (three) boys, John behaves the

most politely.

badly worse worst

> The staff is paid worse than you can He is not a writer but his last essay imagine.

was written worst.

farther far **farthest** (of distance only)

In qualifying competition he jumped I drove ten miles farther/further

than necessary. farthest.

further (for time and distance) furthest (used more widely)

'in addition': We learnt, further, that he wasn't a qualified doctor.

more seldom seldom most seldom

Thanks to global warming, it is

more seldom as cold as this.

sooner **soonest** – not common in superlative soon

> Which would you The sooner, the better. soonest do?- Co

bys dělal nejraději? I couldn't come any sooner.

Create the sentences from the jumbled words bellow

in the woods Peter a) sleep England in a little hut outside his home town in Sleepy Hollow county

Petr slept in a little hut in the woods outside his home town in Sleepy Hollow county England.

b) was on a dark and cloudy afternoon the Daedalus in

the South Atlantic in 1848

On a dark and cloudy afternoon in 1848, the Daedalus was in the South Atlantic.

c) Mick suddenly spotted in Solihull Ι on College Road at the bus stop

I suddenly spotted Mick at the bus stop on College road in Solihull. Suddenly, I spotted Mick at the bus stop on College road in Solihull.

Give comparatives and superlatives of the following <u>adjectives</u>

narrow narrower narrowest ablest able abler free freer freest

bored more/less bored/boring most/least bored/boring

gentlest gentle gentler

shyshyerthinthinner

obscuremore/less obscurecompounds:also: obscurer

waterproof more/less waterproof

good-looking better-looking

(or more good-looking)

bad-tempered worse-tempered

(or more bad-tempered)

well-built better-built

(or more well-built is sometimes heard)

sh<u>y</u>est thinnest

most/least obscure

most/least waterproof

best-looking

(or most good-looking)

worst-tempered

(or most bad-tempered)

best-built

Give comparatives and superlatives of the following <u>adjectives</u>. If there are two possibilities, explain the differences in the meaning

far farther

Both for distance: York is <u>farther/further</u> then Lincoln or Selby.

further

Additional/extra: <u>Further</u> discussion would be pointless.

!! Far (used for distance) and near: In the positive form they have a limited use. Far and near are used chiefly with bank, end, side, wall, etc. the far bank (the bank on the other side) x the near bank (the bank on this side of the river)

good better

This is good but that is better.

late later /lettə/

<u>later</u> edition = nedávná, předešlá

latter /lætə/

'former': He studied French and German, the former language he speaks very well, but <u>the latter</u> one only imperfectly. (=ten druhý)

little less

I have <u>less</u> time than you. = menší množství času This roof has less leaks than our old one.

lesser

near The Lesser Town

nearer

the near bank (the bank on this side of the river)

farthest (of distance ony)

York is the farthest/furthest town of our trip.

furthest (used more widely) with abstract nouns: This was the <u>furhest</u> concession he would make.

best

He spent the best part of the three weeks at the seashore.

last

final': The Tempest was probably the last play that Shakespeare wrote.

'previous': I think his recent book is better than his <u>last</u> one.

latest

'most recent' - the last up to the present:

Have you read Scribller's <u>latest</u> book? = nejnovější

least

There isn't the least wind today.

nearest (=distance)

Where is <u>the nearest</u> post office?

next (=order)

The <u>next</u> station is Oxford Circus.

older (used of people and things) old

He is older than I am.

oldest (used of people and things)

That is the oldest house in

the city. eldest

elder (hierarchically in family – imply seniority rather than age)

My elder brother is three years older than I am.

His eldest brother is 64.

Rewrite the following sentences with the comparison constructions implied

- a) Peter's IQ is 123. George's IQ is 110.
- b) I am suitable for the job. Peter is not suitable for the job to the same extent. (preserve *not*).
- c) I am absolutely happy with my pay rise. (pleased)
- d) Every time the petrol price rises, the number of drivers will change accordingly.
- e) Bill and Tom have basically the same characteristics.

- a) Peter is slightly more inteligent than George.
 - George is not as/so inteligent as Peter. George is less inteligent than Peter.
- b) Peter is not as/so suitable for the job as I
- c) I am more than pleased with my pay
- d) The more expensive petrol becomes, the less people drive.
- e) In characteristics, Bill is like Tom. In characteristics, Bill and Tom are basically alike.

Rephrase the following senteces using an adverb instead of the adjective underlined:

- 1. John is a very <u>careful</u> driver.
- 2. Sue has a very good pronuncation of English vowels.
- 3. Dick's behaviour is more courteous than Bob's.
- 4. Of the two, Bob is the <u>clearer</u> speaker.
- 5. Bob is a very much harder worker.
- 6. Barrington is not nearly such a fast runner.
- 7. Radford makes a far less scientific approach to his subject.
- 8. Henrieta is a most brilliant dancer.
- 9. Last night's play made a considerable impression on me.
- 10. In an auction, the highest bidder has to
- 11. Jones is a much more <u>friendly</u> teacher than Johnson.
- 12. There has been a much more rapid increase in the number of street accidents

- 1. John drives very carefully.
- 2. Sue pronounces English vowels very well.
- 3. Dick behaves more courteously than Bob.
- 4. Of the two, Bob speaks the more clearly. (in formal style)
- 5. Bob works harder.
- 6. Barrington does not run nearly so fast.
- 7. Radford approaches his subject far less scientifically.
- 8. Henrieta dances most brilliantly.
- 9. Last night's play impressed me considerably.
- 10. In an auction, those who bid most high have to pay.
- 11. Jones teaches in a much more friendly way than Johnson.
- 12. The number of street accidents in the last ten years has increased much more

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Identify the adverb(s) in each of the following sentences. Then classify it/them as:

- A AdjunctB Modifying an adjective
- C Modifying an adverb
- D Modifying a prepositional phrase
- E Modifying a determiner

20. In fact, he is quite a nice man.

- F Modifying a noun phrase
- **G** Complement of preposition
- H Disjunct
- I Conjuncts

1. A
2. B
3. C A
4. F
5. F
6. G
7. D
8. G
9. A
10. H
11. A
12. I
13. A I
14. C A
15. D
16. F
17. E
18. H
19. H/C/B B