



ENGLISH GRAMMAR 1

ELEMENTARY LEVEL

Unit 87– Old / older
expensive / more expensive

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Old / older; expensive / more expensive

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GIỚI THIỆU SO SÁNH HƠN



old



older



heavy



heavier



expensive



more expensive

Older / heavier / more expensive are *comparative* forms.

The comparative is **-er** (**older**) or **more...** (**more expensive**).

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B SO SÁNH HƠN CỦA TÍNH TỪ NGẮN

older / heavier etc

Short words (1 syllable) → **-er**:

old → **older**

nice → **nicer**

slow → **slower**

late → **later**

cheap → **cheaper**

big → **bigger**

Spelling (→ Appendix 5):

big → **bigger**

hot → **hotter**

thin → **thinner**

Words ending in **-y** → **-ier**:

easy → **easier**

heavy → **heavier**

early → **earlier**

- Ex1: Rome is **old**, but Athens is **older**. (not more old)
- Ex2: Is it **cheaper** to go by car or by train? (not more cheap)
- Ex3: Helen wants a **bigger** car.
- Ex4: This coat is OK, but I think the other one is **nicer**.
- Ex5: Don't take the bus. It's **easier** to take a taxi. (not more easy)

far → / **farther** / **further**:

- Ex6: A: How far is it to the station? A mile?
B: No, it's **further**. About two miles.

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C SO SÁNH HƠN CỦA TÍNH TỪ DÀI

Long words (2/3/4 syllables) → **more ...**

careful → **more careful**

polite → **more polite**

expensive → **more expensive**

interesting → **more interesting**

- Ex7: You must be **more careful**.
- Ex8: I don't like my job. I want to do something **more interesting**.
- Ex9: Is it **more expensive** to go by car or by train?

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TRƯỜNG HỢP ĐẶC BIỆT

good/well → better

bad → worse

- Ex10: The weather wasn't very **good** yesterday, but it's **better** today.
- Ex11: 'Do you feel **better** today?' 'No, I feel **worse**.'
- Ex12: Which is **worse** - a headache or a toothache?

older than... / more expensive than ... → **Unit 88**

the oldest / the most expensive → **Unit 90**