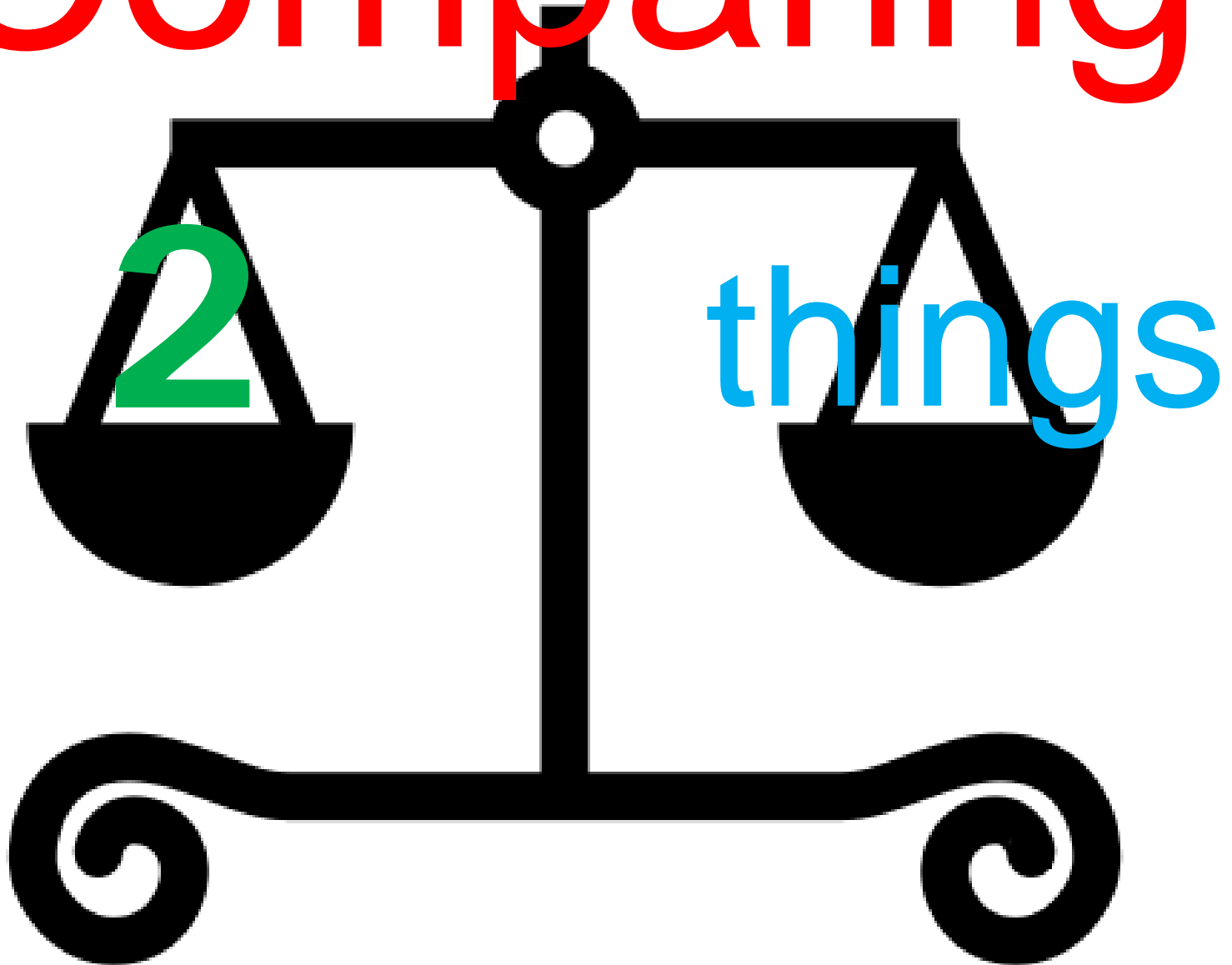


Comparing



Please

Repeat

tall

taller

fast

faster

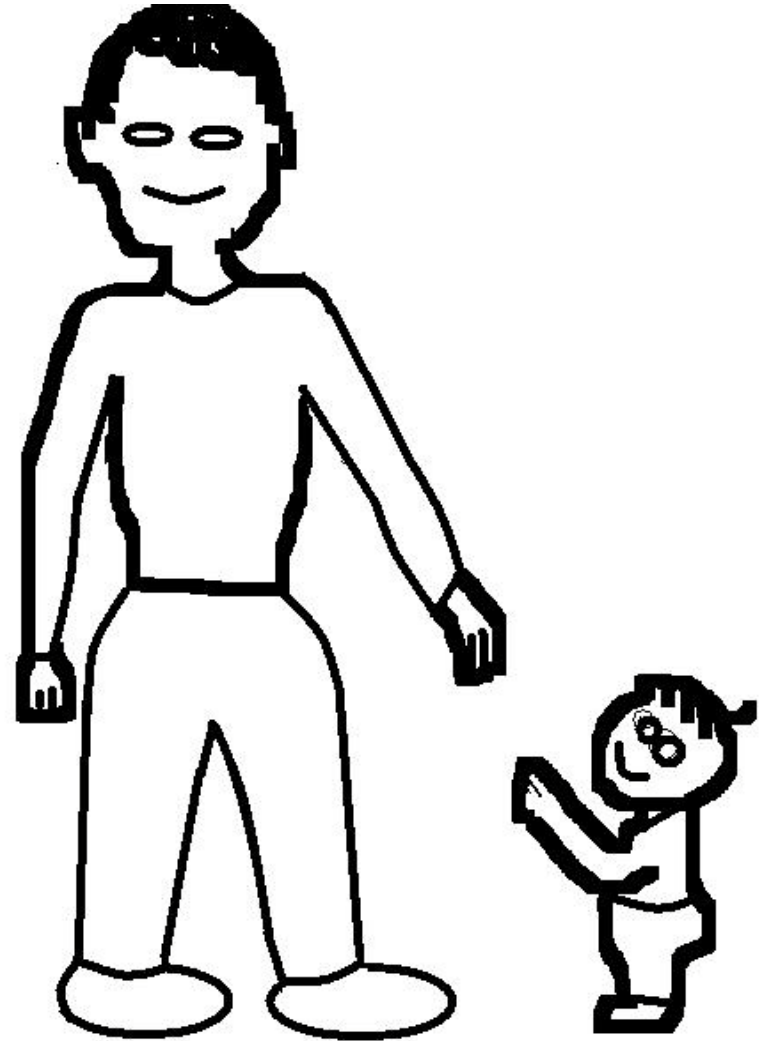
Look at the man and boy.

➤ Tell me about them.

➤ The man is tall.

➤ The boy is short.

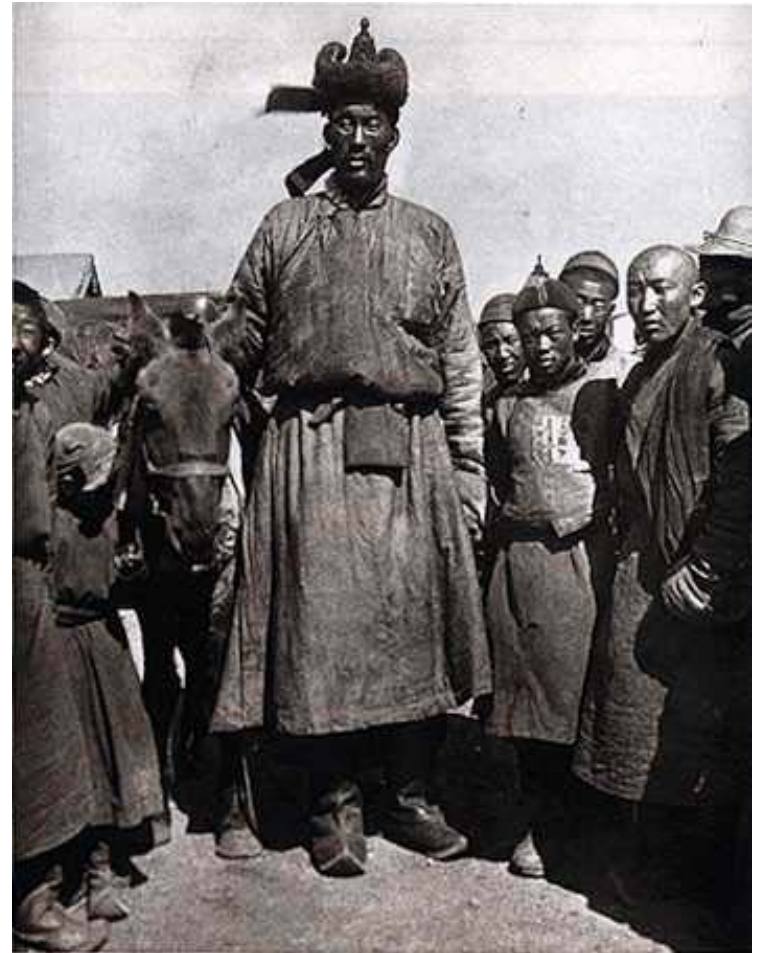
- Who is taller?
- The man is **taller** than the boy.
- Who is shorter?
- The boy is **shorter** than the man.



Look at the man and the others.

- Tell me about them.
- One man is tall.
- The others are short.

- Who is taller?
- The man in the center is **taller** than the others.
- Who is shorter?
- The others are **shorter** than the man in the center.



Look at the bus and car.



- The bus is longerer.
- The car is shorterer.
- The bus is slowerer than the car.
- The car is fasterer than the bus.



Tell me about them.

We describe with
adjectives

Words that describe

- are adjectives.
- Adjectives that **compare** are comparatives.

What word describes

- summer?



hot

What word describes

•winter?



cold

- Let's compare
winter and summer.
- Winter is **colder** than summer.
 - What did we add to the adjective 'cold' ?

Cold + er

Makes the
comparative.

adjective + er

tall → taller

cheap → cheaper

cheap

cheaper

Now let's compare
summer to winter.

• Summer is _____

• hotter

• than winter.

hot

What do we have to add
to 'hot' to make the
comparative?

hotter

hotter

We have to double the **t**
before adding **er**

Ho**t**+**t**+**er**

consonant + er

hot → hotter

Why do we double the
consonant?

To keep the vowel
sound **short**.

What would **hoter**

Sound like?

The o would be
long and sound
like “oh”.

Can you think of
another one syllable
word where you
have to double the
consonant?

How about 'big'?

consonant + er

hot → hotter

big → bigger

When do you double the consonant?

- When the word is one syllable
 - And the vowel is short

Let's do a few more.

clean

cleaner

new

newer

old

older

Why didn't we double
the consonant?

“clean” and “old” and
“new” are one syllable.

So what gives?

They have long
vowels.

nice

How do you form the
comparative for “nice” ?

nicer

nicer

Why do you only add an **r**
and not **er**?

How would **nice** + **er**
sound?

niceer

Can you think of

Another word like that,
ending in **e**?

adjective + r

nice → nicer

ripe → riper

What happens

When the adjective ends
in *y*?

Change y to i + er

dirty → dirtier

dirty

dirtier

Can you think of
another one like this?

early

earlier

Change y to i + er

adjective

comparative

early → earlier

dirty → dirtier

How about busy?

busy

What is the
comparative of busy?

busier

How about this one?

good

What is the
comparative of good?

better

That's right

We can't say gooder.

How about this one?

bad

Can we say badder?

No.

worse

irregular

good → better

bad → worse

And this one?

expensive

Can we say
expensiver?

No.

more

expensive

And how about

beautiful

beautifuler or
More beautiful?

more

beautiful

When the adjective
has more than one
syllable we say **more**
+ adjective.

more + adjective

beautiful → more

beautiful

expensive → more

expensive

Now let's compare.

Today's weather is _____ (bad)
than yesterday's weather.

Today's weather is worse than yesterday's
weather.

The car is _____ than
the bus.

1. new
2. old
3. clean
4. fast
5. expensive

Can you put the words in the correct column?

| | | | | | |
|-------------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-------|
| good | beautiful | cheap | bad | nice | busy |
| expensive | big | hot | early | old | clean |
| sad | large | ripe | heavy | thin | long |
| intelligent | tall | childish | difficult | populated | fine |

Give an example for each column

| adj + er | adj +r | adj + ier | consonant +r | irregular | more + adj. |
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| taller | finer | earlier | sadder | better | expensive |
| cheaper | larger | heavier | hotter | | populated |
| older | riper | | thinner | | beautiful |
| | | | | | childish |
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If you were critically ill
(very very sick), would
you prefer a doctor
who has practiced
medicine for 30 years
or just 10 years?

Answer this question making comparatives using one of the following words:

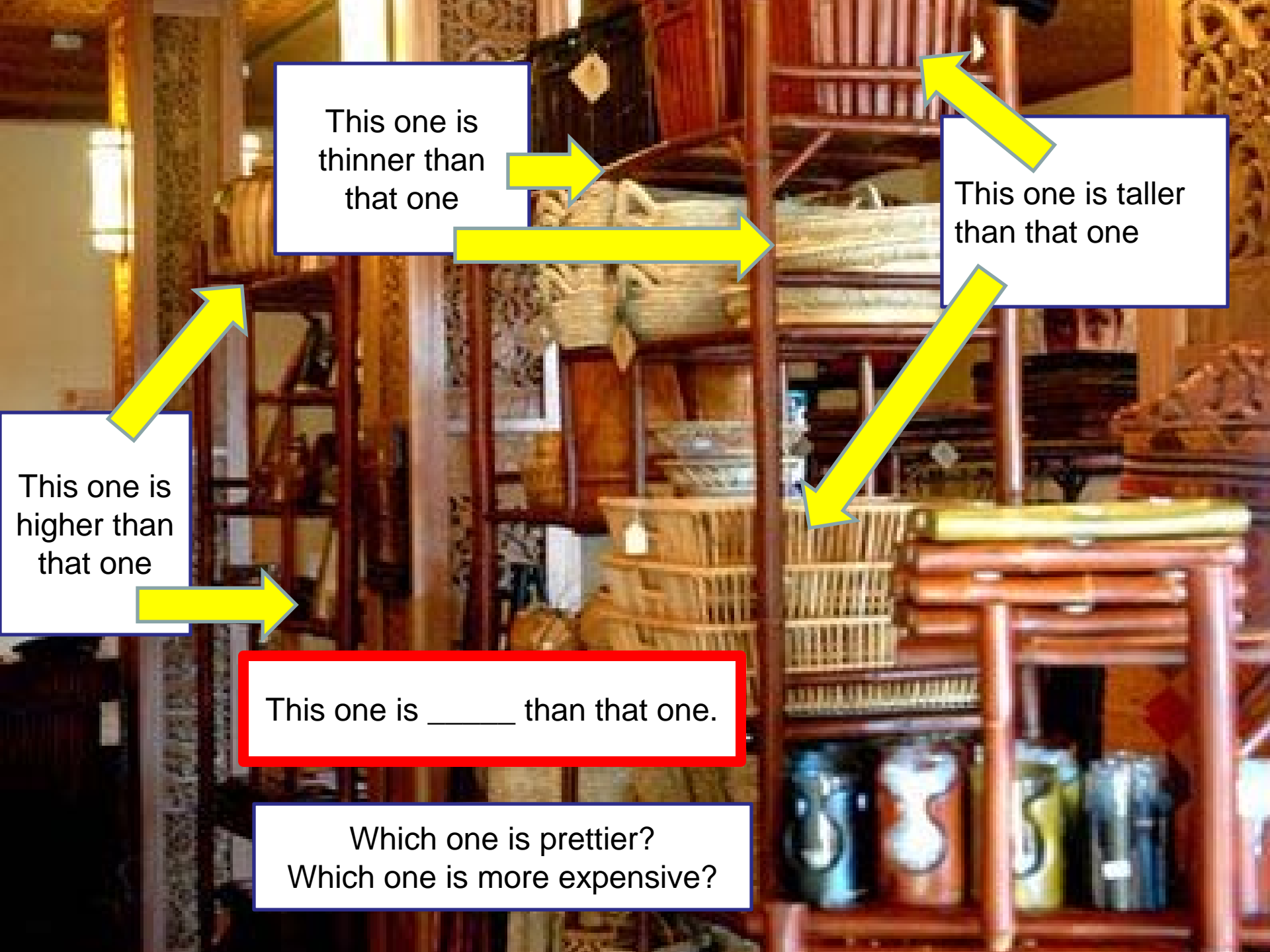
1. Qualified
2. Competent
3. Experienced
4. educated
5. Cheap
6. Famous
7. modern

1. Handy
2. savvy
3. Close to where I live
4. Skilled
5. Compassionate
6. good

This one is

_____ than

that one.



This one is thinner than that one

This one is taller than that one

This one is higher than that one

This one is _____ than that one.

Which one is prettier?
Which one is more expensive?

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