Comparing 1
comparatives with -er and more

A What is the difference between these things? Write a sentence about each pair using an adjective from the box with -er or more.

intelligent loud dangerous precious big easy sweet

Example:
a shout and a whisper
A shout is louder than a whisper.

1 diamonds and pearls

2 a mountain and a hill

3 people and monkeys

4 phoning and writing a letter

5 chocolate and fruit

6 a lion and a cat

B What do the verbs in italics mean? Complete each sentence using an adjective from the box with -er or more.

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Example:
promote: If someone is promoted, they become more senior.
1 demote: If someone is demoted, they become ______________________

2 heat up: If something heats up, it gets ______________________

3 cool down: If something cools down, it gets ______________________

4 improve: If something improves, it gets ______________________

5 deteriorate: If something deteriorates, it gets ______________________

6 go up: If the price goes up, it gets ______________________

7 go down: If the price goes down, it gets ______________________

8 expand: If something expands, it gets ______________________

9 shrink: If something shrinks, it gets ______________________
Answer Key

2 Adjectives with -ed and -ing 1
1 thrilled 7 disgusted
2 amusing 8 shocked
3 confused 9 confusing
4 tiring 10 surprising
5 frightening 11 horrifying
6 horrified

The hidden word is descriptions.

3 Adjectives with -ed and -ing 2
A
1 He feels frightened. 3 They feel bored.
2 They feel exhausted. 4 She feels excited.
B
a b4 c3 d2
C
a 4 very exciting, c 3 very boring,
b 1 very frightening.
D
1a 2b 3b 4a 5b 6a

4 Adverbs of time
A since for
June June
ages of two years
Saturday Saturday
you arrived arrived
nine months nine months
last weekend last weekend
he was born he was born
over a year over a year

a since b for
B
1 for 2 since 3 ago
4 for 5 ago 6 since

5 Articles 1
A
1 a 2 the 3 the 4 the
B
1 a 4 a 7 the 10 the
2 the 5 the 8 the 11 the
3 a 6 the 9 the 12 a
C
1 the 3 the 5 the
2 the 4 a 6 the

6 Articles 2
A
1b 2a 3c 4d 5e 6f
B
1 a, d, e 2 b, c, f
C
1e 2a 3c 4d 5b

7 Articles 3
1 ___ 4 the ___ 7 the
2 ___ 5 ___ , ___ , ___ 8 the
3 the 6 ___ 9 ___

8 Comparing 1
A
1 Diamonds are more precious than pearls.
2 A mountain is bigger than a hill.
3 People are more intelligent than monkeys.
4 Phonics is easier than writing a letter.
5 Chocolate is sweeter than fruit.
6 A lion is more dangerous than a cat.
B
1 ... more junior.
2 ... hotter.
3 ... colder.
4 ... better.
5 ... worse.
6 ... more expensive.
7 ... cheaper.
8 ... bigger.
9 ... smaller.

9 Comparing 2
1 cheaper, longer, shorter
2 flatter, sadder, thinner, wetter
3 noisier, friendlier, lazier, easier
4 more bored, more pleased, more solid, more comfortable, more fragile, more expensive, more surprising, more intelligent, more dangerous
5 better (good), worse (bad)

10 Comparing 3
A
1 ... the Empire State Building isn't as tall as the Twin Towers.
2 ... the sperm whale isn't as big as the blue whale.
3 ... the wren isn't as small as the hummingbird.
4 ... the Amazon isn't as long as the Nile.
B
1 good 6 more intelligent than
2 as good as 7 stronger
3 younger 8 more confident
4 as tall as 9 better than
5 older

11 Comparing 4
A
1 a Peter b Frank c Vince
2 a Greek b Chinese c Egyptian
B
1b 2a 3c 4d
C
1a 2d 3c 4b 5f 6e

12 Conditionals 1
A
1 If you need anything I'll get it for you.
2 If it wasn't raining I'd go swimming.
3 If I could fly I'd go to the moon.
4 If it's not the right size I'll bring it back.
5 If I was younger I'd join you.
B
1 I'd visit the Science Museum if it was open.
2 If the shops are open, I'll buy some new clothes.
3 I'd go to the island if it wasn't too far.
4 If the weather's nice, I'll go to the zoo.
5 I'd go for a sail around the harbour if there was/ were/ were enough time.