

DOUBLE COMPARATIVES

1.- GET + COMPARATIVE.

Maths is hard.

Maths is getting hard. (it expresses a process)

Maths is getting harder and harder (here the change is permanent and increasing)

→ You can use other verbs which show process , such as **Be. Become, Turn, Get**
Living in Spain is expensive.

Living in Spain is getting expensive.

Living is getting more and more expensive.

Complete the sentences using the structure in Section C (...and...).

- 1 It's becoming ...harder and harder... to find a job. (hard)
- 2 That hole in your pullover is getting (big)
- 3 My bags seemed to get as I carried them. (heavy)
- 4 As I waited for my interview, I became (nervous)
- 5 As the day went on, the weather got (bad)
- 6 Travelling is becoming (expensive)
- 7 Since she has been in Britain, her English has got (good)
- 8 As the conversation went on, he became (talkative)

2.- THE + COMPARATIVE THE +COMPARATIVE.....

2.1.- With adjectives.- The + adj (in comparative form) + The + adj (in comparative form)

2.2.- With sentences. The + more/less + clause + The + more/less + clause

2.3.- Mixed type: The + more/less + clause + The + adj (in comparative form)

These sentences are like those in Section D. Use the word(s) in brackets (in the correct form) to complete the sentences.

- 1 I like warm weather. The warmer the weather, ...the better I feel... (feel)
- 2 I didn't really like him when we first met.
But the more I got to know him, (like)
- 3 If you're in business, you want to make a profit.
The more goods you sell, (profit)
- 4 It's hard to concentrate when you're tired.
The more tired you are, (hard)
- 5 She had to wait a very long time.
The longer she waited, (impatient/become)

Source: English grammar in use. Raymond Murphy. Ed.Cambridge

3.- SUPERLATIVE + PRESENT PERFECT WITH – EVER

Example: “*Sarah is the most intelligent person I have ever met”.*
 “*This is one of the most interesting stories I have ever read”*”

“Practice makes perfect.”

PRACTICE.- TRANSLATE INTO ENGLISH.-

1.- En primavera los días se hacen cada vez más largos.

2.- El campeonato se está poniendo cada vez más interesante.

3.- Sus notas son cada vez peor

4.- Me estoy decepcionando cada vez más.

5.- Cuanto antes mejor.

6.- Cuanto más me miras, más colorado me pongo.

7.- Cuanto más le odies, más sufrirás.

8.- Cuanto más conozco a los hombres, más quiero a mi perro.

9.- Cuanto más lo pienso, menos lo comprendo.

10.- Cuanto más ahorres, antes podrás comprarte la casa.

11.- Este es el lugar más bonito que jamás he visto

12.- “Honesty” es una de las canciones más conmovedoras que jamás he escuchado.

13.- Quiero contarte la experiencia más dura por la que jamás he pasado

14.- Esta es la historia más dulce que jamás me han contado.
