

Name _____ Class _____ Date _____

GRAMMAR

1 Complete the sentences with the comparative form of the adjectives in parentheses.

- The art festival is longer (long) than the music festival.
- Fran's party is later (late) than yours.
- The weather is hotter (hot) than last week.
- This café is better (good) than that café.
- New Year in New York is bigger (big) than New Year in Boston.
- The park is farther (far) than the school.
- The book was worse (bad) than the movie.
- Carnival in Brazil is nicer (nice) than Carnival in the US.
- Your phone is smaller (small) than mine.
- This dance is easier (easy) than that one.

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2 Complete the sentences with the words below.

are more aren't as as (x2) as cheap
expensive wasn't as more than (x2)

- Traditional food is more interesting than fast food.
- I think cities are more exciting than small towns.
- These photos are as beautiful as those paintings.
- The pizza here isn't as cheap as the pizza in my area.
- The school party wasn't as organized as last month.
- The festival is more crowded than yesterday.
- These hot dogs aren't as delicious as the burgers.
- The concerts weren't as lively as last year.
- Our costumes are more colorful than theirs.
- The tickets were more expensive than the souvenirs.

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VOCABULARY

3 Circle the correct option.

- There are lots of people here. It's very crowded / traditional.
- We saw modern and crowded / traditional dances.
- The weather's always hot. Snow is unusual / traditional here.
- The New Year festival is very noisy / quiet. We don't speak for 24 hours!
- I can't hear. Those people are very noisy / empty.
- This show wasn't exciting / calm. I fell asleep after ten minutes.
- Carnival is a lively / dull festival with music and costumes. I love it!
- The sea is very lively / calm today. There aren't any waves.
- No one came to the play. The room was empty / crowded.
- Fireworks are never dull / exciting. I love them!

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4 Match the definitions 1-5 with the words a-e. Then complete the sentences with the words.

- You buy these to remember a place. d
- This is the energy or feeling of a place. e
- People sing and play instruments there. c
- These are big groups of people. b
- You see them at night. They're colorful. a

a fireworks b crowds c music event
d souvenirs e atmosphere

- I brought some souvenirs from my vacation in London.
- There were big crowds of people at the show. We couldn't move!
- The music event starts at 4 p.m. The musicians are ready.
- The festival was noisy and crowded. We didn't like the atmosphere.
- My dog doesn't like fireworks. They make a lot of noise.

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READING

5 Read the blog post.

Hugo Snyder @hugogoes

An Unusual Festival

Today, I'm at a festival in Punxsutawney, a quiet town in Pennsylvania. Right now, Punxsutawney is as crowded and noisy as a big city! It's 6 a.m. It's very cold because it's winter. There's music and fireworks, and the atmosphere is a lot of fun.

The festival's name is Groundhog Day. Every year on February 2, thousands of people come from far away to see Phil here. But Phil's not a person. He's a groundhog!

A groundhog is an animal with short legs and brown hair.

Men from the town wear traditional black suits and big hats. At around 7:30 a.m., they talk to Phil. Phil gives them a prediction for the end of winter and the beginning of spring. Is this the end of winter? Let's see what Phil the Groundhog says!

Write *T* (true) or *F* (false) next to the statements.

- The writer is in a big city. F
- This festival is on a winter morning. T
- Thousands of people celebrate this festival. T
- Everyone wears black suits and big hats. F
- Men from the town talk to a person called Phil. F

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6 Complete the information.

location: Punxsutawney, in ¹ Pennsylvania

time of the blog post: ² 6 a.m.

name of the festival: ³ Groundhog Day

date: ⁴ February 2

main event: Phil predicts the beginning of
⁵ spring

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WRITING

7 Read the review.

Don't miss it!

Review of an Arts Festival in Greensburg

★★★★★ *Reviewed July 15*

I went to the Westmoreland Arts Festival in Greensburg, Pennsylvania. It was awesome! The festival happens every ¹ July, and it celebrates arts and culture.

The festival was at Twin Lakes Park. It was lively and ² crowded! Artists were selling their work and there were lots of exciting activities. I enjoyed the short story competition!

I ³ recommend Westmoreland Arts Festival. You can learn about art and have fun at the same time!

Complete the review with the words below.

crowded July recommend

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8 Think of a festival in your area, or invent one. Imagine you went to that festival and write a review. Answer these questions:

- Introduction:
 - What is the name of the festival?
 - When does it happen?
 - What does it celebrate?
- Description:
 - Where was the festival?
 - What did you see and do?
 - What did you enjoy?
- Conclusion:
 - Why do you recommend the festival?

Students' own answers

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