

## Grammar Lesson 13 : Repeated and Double Comparatives

**A. Complete each sentence using the repeated comparative (more and more, -er and -er, less and less, fewer and fewer).**

1. My teenaged son eats so much these days! Every day he seems to \_\_\_\_\_ (eat).
2. In college, students must study \_\_\_\_\_ (hard) every year.
3. She works so much lately. It seems like she has \_\_\_\_\_ (time) every day.
4. Business is good! We are getting \_\_\_\_\_ (busy)!
5. There's not much space in my seat. It feels like airplane seats just get \_\_\_\_\_ (small).
6. I don't go to that restaurant anymore. Their food is becoming \_\_\_\_\_ (bad).
7. As soon as the sun sets, it quickly gets \_\_\_\_\_ (cold).
8. Cell phones are becoming \_\_\_\_\_ (useful). We can use our phones to do so many things.
9. Now that winter is coming, \_\_\_\_\_ (tourists) go to the beach. Soon, they'll probably close the hotels.
10. Why is there so much traffic? There are \_\_\_\_\_ (car) on the road every day!
11. Your baby girl is \_\_\_\_\_ (cute) every time I see her!
12. Wow, this technology is getting \_\_\_\_\_ (good)!
13. This movie is so boring! It started out well, but then it became \_\_\_\_\_ (interesting). I couldn't even finish it.
14. That house is so large! They make these houses \_\_\_\_\_ all the time.
15. As my dog gets older, he moves \_\_\_\_\_ (slowly).

**B. Rewrite these sentences using the double comparative (the more, the less).**

1. They drink a lot, and they become louder.
2. If a dog is large, it eats a lot.
3. If I spend time with my friends, I feel happy.
4. I get to know him and then I like him.
5. If I feel nervous, I play badly.
6. If I exercise, I feel good.
7. When she worries, she gets thin.
8. If I have more time, I read more.
9. When I learn about animals, I want to eat meat less.
10. He gets up early so he can do more.
11. If it gets hot, I don't want to go outside.
12. As math becomes more difficult, I understand it less.

## ANSWERS

**A. Complete each sentence using the repeated comparative (more and more, -er and -er, less and less, fewer and fewer).**

1. My teenaged son eats so much these days! Every day he seems to **eat more and more**. (eat)
2. In college, students must study **harder and harder** (hard) every year.
3. She works so much lately. It seems like she has **less and less time** (time) every day.
4. Business is good! We are getting **busier and busier** (busy)!
5. There's not much space in my seat. It feels like airplane seats just get **smaller and smaller** (small).
6. I don't go to that restaurant anymore. Their food is becoming **worse and worse** (bad).
7. As soon as the sun sets, it quickly gets **colder and colder** (cold).
8. Cell phones are becoming **more and more useful** (useful). We can use our phones to do so many things.
9. Now that winter is coming, **fewer and fewer tourists** (tourists) go to the beach. Soon, they'll probably close the hotels.
10. Why is there so much traffic? There are **more and more cars** (car) on the road than every day!
11. Your baby girl is **cuter and cuter** (cute) every time I see her!
12. Wow, this technology is getting **better and better** (good)!
13. This movie is so boring! It started out well, but then it became **less and less interesting** (interesting). I couldn't even finish it.
14. That house is so large! They make these houses **bigger and bigger** all the time.
15. As my dog gets older, he moves **more and more slowly** (slowly).

**B. Rewrite these sentences using the double comparative (the more, the less).**

1. They drink a lot, and they become louder.

**The more they drink, the louder they become.**

2. If a dog is large, it eats a lot.

**The larger the dog, the more it eats.**

3. If I spend time with my friends, I feel happy.

**The more time I spend with my friends, the happier I feel.**

4. I get to know him and then I like him.

**The more I get to know him, the more I like him.**

5. If I feel nervous, I play badly.

**The more nervous I feel, the worse I play.**

6. If I exercise, I feel good.

**The more I exercise, the better I feel.**

7. When she worries, she gets thin.

**The more she worries, the thinner she gets.**

8. If I have more time, I read more.

**The more time I have, the more I read.**

9. When I learn about animals, I want to eat meat less.

**The more I learn about animals, the less I want to eat meat. (or the less meat I want to eat).**

10. He gets up early so he can do more.

**The earlier he gets up, the more he can do.**

11. If it gets hot, I don't want to go outside.

**The hotter it gets, the less I want to go outside.**

12. As math becomes more difficult, I understand it less.

**The more difficult math becomes, the less I understand.**