

December 11th

- Check - 'so do I' and comparatives
- Discuss different countries and cultures
- Discuss camping! - learn vocabulary

new vocabulary

- I feel leth**a**rgic / lethargy
- I don't mind the snow
- nowadays / today - both are good
- since ~~some decades~~
- for the last few decades/ for the last 20 years or so
- behave in (typical) gender roles
- not relish the idea of -ing

making comparisons

- compared to / with
- comparing Moscow with St Petersburg, the latter (= the last of these)
- the former (the first of these) is ...
- in comparison
- in contrast
- contrary
- when seen alongside
- in relation to

Comparing and contrasting questions and answers

Ask your partner about the similarities and differences between some things using questions like those below

- Is... (exactly) the same as...?/ Are... and... (really) identical?
- Is... similar to...?
- What's the difference between... and...?
- What do... and... have in common?
- How similar are... and...?
- How different are... and...?
- How much... er is ... than...?/ How much more... is... than...?

What kinds of phrases can you use to answer the last three questions?

How different are the capital city and second city of your country? Should the government try to change that?

Is your country unique or exceptional in any way?

What are the best and worst things about your country? How does that compare to other places?

<https://www.usingenglish.com/files/pdf/academic-word-list-comparing-and-contrasting.pdf>

Academic Word List- Comparing and Contrasting
Worksheet 1 – Comparing and contrasting phrases presentation

Complete these phrases for comparing and contrasting. There are several possible answers for each.

They are _____ the same

They are _____ identical

They are _____ similar

They are _____ different

A is _____ ... er/ more...than B

A is _____ as... as B

The _____ difference between A and B is...

A/ An _____ difference between A and B is...



Austria



Bangladesh



Bahrain



Brunei



Bulgaria



Canada



Chile



China



Cyprus



Denmark



Egypt



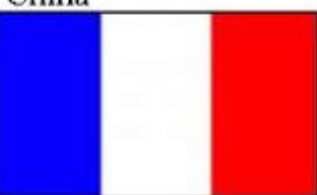
Estonia



Ethiopia



Finland



France



Germany



Great Britain



Greece



Hong Kong



India



Iran



Iraq



Indonesia



Ireland



Italy



Japan



Jordan



Iceland



Kazakhstan



Korea



Kuwait



Lebanon



Libya



Malaysia



Netherlands



Nigeria



Norway



Oman



Pakistan



Palestine



Philippines



Qatar



Romania



Russia



Saudi Arabia



Singapore



South Africa



Spain



Sudan

Comparing cultures using academic vocabulary

Immigration

- Importance of hierarchy
- Infrastructure
- Interest in sustainability
- Job security
- Maintaining traditions
- Naming of successors
- Number of guidelines from the government - Number of subsidiaries
- Publication of theses
- Research funding
- Residential care
- Restoration of historical buildings
- Rigid management
- School resources
- Self-sufficiency of adult children
- Stress
- Strictness of school grading
- Submissive females
- Suspension from school
- Taking dietary supplements

... percent
a great deal
a (tiny) bit
almost
biggest
considerably
fairly
great
more or less
most obvious
much
(not) quite
one and a half times
practically
slightly
surprisingly
totally
very

... times
a lot
absolutely
basically
completely
exactly
(far) far
half
most important
most significant
(not/ very) nearly
obvious
only/ sole
quite a lot
substantially
three quarters
twice

homework

- Think about whether to study more from IELTS Target 6.5 or get a new book (eg Ready for IELTS)?
- find phrases in context: run errands; take for granted; and some other vocabulary from the text
- write sentences with the new vocabulary
- Complete comparatives (slide 5)