

## Major Adjective Comparison Handout Answer Key

### FRENCH

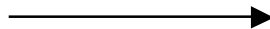
Mon professeur est plus grand que moi



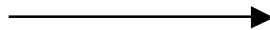
Je suis plus petit(e) que mon professeur



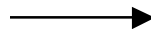
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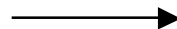
Mes cours de français sont plus longs que mes cours d'anglais



Les chiens sont souvent plus contents que les chats



Les chats sont souvent plus doux que les chiens



### ENGLISH

My teacher is taller THAN me

I am shorter THAN my teacher

My English classes are MORE interesting THAN my French class.

My French classes are longer THAN my English classes

Dogs are often happier THAN cats.

Cats are often calmer THAN dogs.

#### What is the structure in French for comparing?

1. plus + adjective + que

#### What are the structures in English for comparing?

1. adjective + er + than
  2. more + adjective + than
- adjective adds er if 1 syllable*  
*-adjective usually stays the same if 2+ syllables but adjectives that end in Y change Y to I and add er*

#### WHAT ARE THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN ENGLISH AND FRENCH WHEN WE MAKE COMPARISONS?

1. French adjectives DO NOT change to make a comparison though they have masculine and feminine forms. English adjectives DO change sometimes, depending on number of syllables.
2. In French, PLUS always come before the adjective. In English, MORE sometimes comes before the adjective.