

**comparison**[kəm'pærɪs(ə)n] *n*

## 1) сравнение

to draw /to make/ a comparison (between) - проводить сравнение (между)

to bring into comparison - сравнивать

to bear /to stand/ comparison with smth. - выдерживать сравнение с чем-л.

in comparison with - по сравнению с

by comparison - при сравнении; сравнительно

this city is by comparison a metropolis - этот город по сравнению с остальными кажется гигантом

there is no comparison between them - их нельзя сравнивать

there is no comparison between frozen and fresh fruit - замороженные фрукты не идут ни в какое сравнение со свежими

without comparison, out of (all) comparison, beyond (all) comparison - вне (всякого) сравнения

degrees of comparison - *грам.* степени сравнения

## 2) уподобление; сопоставление; аналогия

to make a comparison of the heart to a pump - провести аналогию между сердцем и насосом

◇ comparisons are odious - ≅ сравнения не всегда уместны

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**com·pari·son** [**comparison comparisons**] *BrE* [kəm'pærɪsn] <sup>ˈ</sup> *NAmE*[kəm'pærɪsn] <sup>ˈ</sup> *noun***1. uncountable** ~ (with sb/sth) the process of comparing two or more people or things

• Comparison with other oil-producing countries is extremely interesting.

• I enclose the two plans **for comparison** .• The education system **bears/stands no comparison with** (= is not as good as) that in many Asian countries.

• For Durkheim, comparison was the most important method of analysis in sociology.

**2. countable** an occasion when two or more people or things are compared• ~ **of A and B** a comparison of the rail systems in Britain and France• ~ **of A with B** a comparison of men's salaries with those of women• ~ **between A and B** comparisons between Britain and the rest of Europe• ~ **of A to B** a comparison of the brain to a computer (= showing what is similar)• ~ **(with sth)** It is difficult to **make a comparison** with her previous book— they are completely different• You can **draw comparisons** with the situation in Ireland (= say how the two situations are similar) .**more at** pale in/by comparison **at** ↑pale *v.*Idioms: ↑by comparison ▪ ↑there's no comparisonWord Origin:Middle English: from Old French **comparesoun**, from Latin **comparatio(n-)**, from **comparare** 'to pair, match', from **compar** 'like, equal', from **com-** 'with' + **par** 'equal' .Thesaurus:**comparison** *noun*

• His problems seemed trivial by comparison.

• In terms of price there's no comparison.

**analogy** • • **contrast** • • **similarity** • • **parallel** • • **resemblance** • |**formal correspondence** •a/an comparison/analogy/contrast/similarity/parallel/resemblance/correspondence **between** A and Ba/an comparison/analogy/contrast/similarity/parallel/correspondence **with sth****draw/make/suggest** a/an comparison/analogy/contrast/parallelLanguage Bank:**similarly***Making comparisons*▪ This chart **provides a comparison of** ▪ the ways that teenage boys and girls in the UK spend their free time.▪ In many cases, the results for boys and girls are virtually **the same** ▪ / **identical** ▪.▪ In many cases, the results for boys are virtually **the same as** ▪ / **identical to** ▪ the results for girls.**Both** ▪ boys **and** ▪ girls spend the bulk of their free time with friends.▪ Most of the boys do more than two hours of sport a week, **as do** ▪ many of the girls.**Like** ▪ many of the girls, most of the boys spend a large part of their free time using the Internet.▪ The girls particularly enjoy using social networking websites. **Similarly** ▪, nearly all the boys said they spent at least two to three hours a week on these sites.

Language Banks at ↑contrast, ↑illustrate, ↑proportion, ↑surprising

Example Bank:

• Jane is still quite young, and Fiona seems old by comparison.

• Let's put them side by side for comparison.

• Our problems don't bear comparison with those elsewhere.

• The glasses are small in comparison with the old ones.

• The similarity between the two invites comparison.

• a comparison between figures for last year and this year

• a comparison of unemployment rates over the past 15 years

- a comparison with other schools
- a price-comparison site
- to provide a basis for comparison
- He made comparisons between Britain and the rest of Europe.
- I enclose the two plans for comparison.
- The education system bears no comparison with that in many Central European countries.
- The tallest buildings in London are small in comparison with New York's skyscrapers.
- You can draw comparisons with the situation in Australia.
- a comparison of the brain to a computer

## comparison

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**com·pa·ri·son** **S3 W2** /kəm'pærəsən, kəm'pærɪsən/ *BrE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *AmE* <sup>ˈ</sup> *noun*

[**Word Family**: **noun**: ↑comparison, ↑comparability, the comparative; **adverb**: ↑comparatively, ↑comparably; **adjective**: ↑comparable ≠ ↑incomparable, ↑comparative; **verb**: ↑compare]

### 1. COMPARING [uncountable] the process of comparing two or more people or things ⇒ **compare**, **comparative**

#### comparison with

• Comparison with his previous movies shows how Lee has developed as a director.

#### in comparison (with/to something)

• In comparison to other recent video games, this one isn't very exciting.

• He was a loud friendly man. In comparison, his brother was rather shy.

#### by comparison (with something)

• By comparison with other European countries, car prices in the UK are very high.

• After months of living in a tropical climate, Spain seemed cool by comparison.

#### for comparison (with something)

• These figures are provided for comparison with the results of previous studies.

• He showed us the original text for comparison.

• Her paintings invite comparison with those of the early Impressionists (=they remind you of them).

#### stand/bear comparison (=is as good as someone or something else)

• Irving's work bears comparison with the best of the modern novelists.

#### on comparison *British English* (=after you have compared two things to see if they are similar or different)

• On comparison, the Renault was the more reliable of the two cars.

### 2. JUDGMENT [countable] a statement or examination of how similar or different two people or things are

#### comparison of

• a comparison of pollution levels in Chicago and Detroit

#### comparison between

• The article makes a comparison between the two poems.

## REGISTER

In written English, people often use **draw a comparison** rather than **make a comparison**, as it sounds more formal:

• The writer draws a comparison between the 1950s and the present day.

### 3. BE LIKE SOMETHING [countable] a statement that someone or something is like someone or something else

(**make/draw**) **a comparison between somebody/something** (=show the similarities between two people or things)

• The writer draws comparisons between the two presidents.

• You can't make a comparison between American and Japanese schools – they're too different.

### 4. there's no comparison *spoken* used when you think that someone or something is much better than someone or something else

#### there's no comparison between

• There's just no comparison between canned vegetables and fresh ones.

### 5. GRAMMAR [uncountable] a word used in grammar meaning the way an adverb or adjective changes its form to show whether it is

↑comparative or ↑superlative

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## COLLOCATIONS (for Meaning 2)

### ■ verbs

• **make a comparison** (=compare people or things) Using the Internet is an easy way to make comparisons between prices.

• **draw a comparison** (=say in what way people or things are similar) People have drawn comparisons between this movie and those of Quentin Tarantino.

• **provide a comparison** The test can be used to provide a comparison of a child's language development with that of other children.

### ■ ADJECTIVES/NOUN + comparison

• **a direct comparison** You can't really make a direct comparison between the two schools.

• **an interesting comparison** The exhibition provides an interesting comparison of the artists' works.

• **a valid/useful/meaningful comparison** (=a reasonable one, based on sensible information) There is not enough data for a valid comparison to be made.

• **a fair/unfair comparison** A fair comparison between the two firms is extremely difficult.

• **a favourable/unfavourable comparison** (=in which one thing or person is judged to be better/worse than another) My family was always making unfavourable comparisons between me and my older brother.

• **a detailed comparison** Students had to write a detailed comparison of the two texts.

• **a price comparison** A price comparison shopping site was launched last month.

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compare 10420

comparable 5802

comparably 246

comparability 231

incomparable 420

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compared 32070

compares 2380

comparative 3875

comparison 13491

comparisons 5069

comparing 5507

comparatively 1550

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