

LA COMPARAISON

COMPARISON

SUMMARY

When making **comparison** in French,
we use a **specific set of pronouns** :

LIST OF THE PRONOUNS

PRONOUNS	PRONUNCIATION	MEANING
... que moi.	[... ke mou a]	... than me.
... que toi.	[... ke tou a]	... than you.
... que lui.	[... ke lui]	... than him.
... qu' elle.	[... kè l]	... than her.
... que nous.	[... ke nou]	... than us.
... que vous.	[... ke vou]	... than you.
... qu' eux.	[... ke]	... than them. (boys)
... qu' elles.	[...kèl]	... than them. (girls)

SUMMARY

When making **comparison** in French,
there are several types of situation :

It depends on what you want to compare :

Nouns / Adjectives / Verbs / Adverbs

SITUATION #1 : COMPARISON ABOUT NOUNS

When comparing about **NOUNS**, you will use the following structures :

FRENCH	PRONUNCIATION	ENGLISH
Moins de ... (que ...)	[mou un de ... (que ...)]	Less / Fewer ... (than ...)

J'ai **moins de** chats (**que** toi).

I have **fewer** cats (**than** you).

Autant de ... (que ...)	[o tan de ... (que ...)]	As much / As many ... (as ...)
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J'ai **autant d'**argent (**que** toi).

I have **as much** money (**as** you).

Plus de ... (que ...)	[plu s de ... (que ...)]	More ... (than ...)
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J'ai **plus de** temps (**que** toi).

I have **more** time (**than** you).

SITUATION #2 : COMPARISON ABOUT ADJECTIVES

When comparing about **ADJECTIVES**, you will use the following structures :

FRENCH	PRONUNCIATION	ENGLISH
Moins ... (que ...)	[mou un ... (que ...)]	Less ... (than ...)

Tu es **moins** fatigué (**que** moi).

You are **less** tired (**than** me).

Aussi ... (que ...)	[o si ... (que ...)]	As much / As many ... (as ...)
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Tu es **aussi** poli (**que** moi).

You are **as** polite (**as** me).

Plus ... (que ...)	[plu s ... (que ...)]	More ... (than ...)
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Tu es **plus** sérieux (**que** moi).

You are **more** serious (**than** me).

SITUATION #3 : COMPARISON ABOUT VERBS

When comparing about **VERBS**, you will use the following structures :

FRENCH	PRONUNCIATION	ENGLISH
Moins (que ...)	[mou un (que ...)]	Less (than ...)

Elle travaille **moins** (que lui).

She works **less** (than him).

Autant (que ...)	[o tan (que ...)]	As much / As many (as ...)
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Elle travaille **autant** (que lui).

She works **as** much (as him).

Plus (que ...)	[plu s (que ...)]	More (than ...)
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Elle travaille **plus** (que lui).

She works **more** (than him).

SITUATION #4 : COMPARISON ABOUT ADVERBS

When comparing about **ADVERBS**, you will use the following structures :

FRENCH	PRONUNCIATION	ENGLISH
Moins ... (que ...)	[mou un ... (que ...)]	Less ... (than ...)

Elle travaille **moins** vite (que lui).

She works « **less** fast » (than him).

Aussi ... (que ...)	[o si ... (que ...)]	As ... (as ...)
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Elle travaille **aussi** vite (que lui).

She works **as** fast (as him).

Plus ... (que ...)	[plu s ... (que ...)]	More ... (than ...)
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Elle travaille **plus** vite (que lui).

She works « **more** fast » (than him).