

## **Real English® Unit 39**

### **Comparatives, Superlatives, and The Most Beautiful Language**

#### **Part 1: Comparatives**

1 - *Adele*: **She's my twin, there.**

*Interviewer*: **You're twins!**

*Keavy*: **Yeah.**

*Girl between Adele & Keavy*: **They're twins.**

*Interviewer*: **Come together, let's see if there's a, a similarity. Who is older than who?**

*Keavy*: **Me. I'm older.**

*Interviewer*: **How much older are you?**

*Keavy*: **20 minutes.**

*Interviewer*: **20 minutes!**

2 - *Interviewer*: **Which is bigger, New York or San Francisco?**

*Deborah*: **New York is probably about 4 times larger than San Francisco.**

3 - *Interviewer*: **Which is bigger, New York or San Francisco?**

*Neil*: **What do you mean by "bigger"?**

*Interviewer*: **Anyway you want to say it. Population, size-wise.**

*Neil*: **Well, New York clearly has a larger population.**

4 - *Shannon*: **New York has a lot more suburbs than San Francisco does.**

5 - *Kelly*: **I think San Francisco's bigger. I don't know.**

6 - *Interviewer*: **Which is bigger, New York or San Francisco?**

*Randee*: **Bigger, uh, in geography, I think New York. Possibly bigger in spirit, it may be San Francisco.**

7 - *Interviewer*: **Can, uh, he cook better than you, or can you cook better than he can?**

*Maureen*: **I can cook better than he can.**

*Raphael*: **That's ridiculous. That's ridiculous. That's not true.**

8 - *Interviewer*: **Can he cook better than you, or can you cook better than he can?**

*Deborah* (speaking to Neil): **I'm sure I can cook better than you.**

9 - *Interviewer*: **Can she cook better than you, or can you cook better than she can?**

*Debra*: **She can definitely cook better than me.**

Laura: **True.**

10 – *Interviewer:* **And, can she cook better than you, or can you, or do you cook better than she can?**

Mia: **Well, I don't cook, so I guess she cooks better than I do.**

11 – *Interviewer:* **Can he cook better than you?**

Helen: **Oh, much better than me. And he irons better than me, and he also cleans the house better than me. I encourage it.**

## **Part 2: Superlatives**

1 – *Interviewer:* **What's the most beautiful city in the USA?**

Michael: **New York, to me. The most diversified, so it's the best.**

2 – *Interviewer:* **What do you think the most beautiful country in the world is?**

Mary: **The most beautiful country in the world is Greece.**

3 – *Patty:* **The, uhm, coldest country in the world is Antartica? No, uh, is that a country? is Antartica.**

4 – *Interviewer:* **Is Edimburg bigger than Glasgow?**

Kevin: **No, Glasgow is the biggest city in Scotland.**

5 – *Interviewer:* **Which is the most beautiful part of Scotland.**

June: **I think Perth is.**

Josie: **It's the cleanest.**

6 – *Interviewer:* **Which is the biggest town in Ireland?**

Eoin: **Dublin is by far the biggest, yeah.**

*Interviewer:* **And which is the most beautiful town in Ireland?**

Eoin: **The most beautiful town in Ireland? Uhm, I don't think it's Dublin, anyway. Galway, maybe. Galway.**

7 – *Interviewer:* **And which is the longest river in Ireland?**

Dermot: **The Shannon River is the longest river in Ireland.**

8 – *Interviewer:* **And what was your favourite place in Europe?**

Marie Louise: **The most comfortable place for us to visit was England because there's no language barrier.**

9 – *Interviewer:* **And which country did you like the best?**

Ken: **I think I liked France the best.**

10 – *Interviewer*: **Can you tell me, what are the French like?**

Hayles: **The French are delightful people. The most civilized in the world.**

11 – *Interviewer*: **What do the English spend most money on?**

Rupert: **I, spend most money on music, uhm.**

12 – *Jackie*: **I think the most unfair thing is that the English think the Scots are mean, but in fact they're sensible with their money, and in my experience, the English are mean.**

### **Part 3: The Most Beautiful Language**

1 – *Interviewer*: **In your opinion, what is the most beautiful language?**

Ada: **French, to me, is the most beautiful language.**

2 – *Interviewer*: **In your opinion, which is the most beautiful language?**

Laura: **French.**

3 – *Keesha*: **French.**

Celeste: **French.**

Mary: **Uhm, French, yeah.**

4 – *Cheryl*: **Uh, French. I love French. I think it's...**

*Interviewer*: **In your opinion, what's the most beautiful language?**

*Robert*: **I think French, but I also, believe it or not, think German is very nice. A lot of people DON'T think that.**

5 – *Interviewer*: **Which is the most beautiful language?**

*Deborah*: **French.**

*Interviewer:* **Beautiful. In your opinion, what's the most beautiful language?**

Neil: **Oh, by far, Italian.**

6 – *Jim:* **Ah, French.**

Robin: **No, I can't believe you said (that). Italian is the most beautiful language.**

7 – *Interviewer:* **Which is the most beautiful language?**

Rebecca: **Italian.**

8 – *Maureen:* **Italian.**

*Raphael:* **Latin.**

9 – *Sue:* **I think all languages are beautiful.**

*Interviewer:* **That's a good answer. In your opinion, what's the most, which is the most beautiful language?**

*Emma:* **I like American.**

*Interviewer:* **All right. Anything different?**

*Richard:* **I think Spanish is a beautiful language.**

10 – *Sheri:* **I like Hebrew.**

*Interviewer:* **Cool.**

*Sheri:* **Yeah.**

11 – *Yale:* **Russian.**

12 – *Alexander:* **Japanese.**

13 - *Interviewer:* **Which is the most beautiful language?**

Debra: **The English language.**

Laura: **English, yeah.**

14 - *Kelly:* **I like English 'cause I understand it.**