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6. Repeat after the teacher, then ask and answer.

Is a bicycle like a car?  
No, it's very different.

Is a ball like an orange?  
Yes, it is.

Practise with:

table	glass	clock	basket
chair	pen	cat	coffee
book	cup	dog	truck
pencil	apple	notebook	bus
chair	watch	bench	bowl

7. Repeat after the teacher. Then tell the class:  
(Point to the person or the object)

There is a girl with black hair sitting near the window.

Practise with:

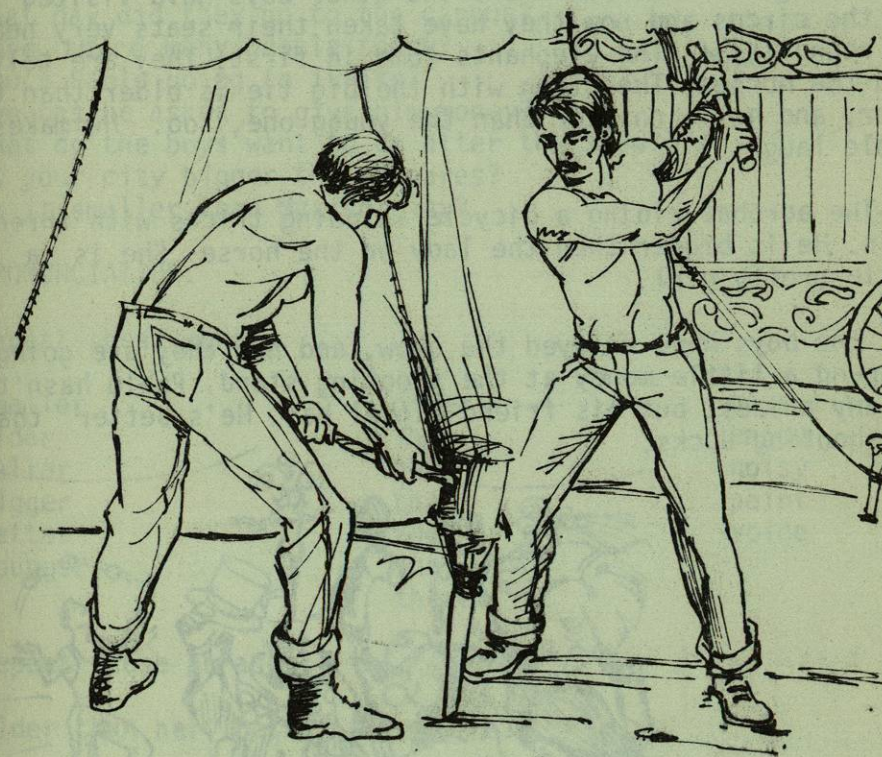
short hair	sitting	behind
a white shirt	standing	near
a yellow pen	reading	between
a history book	talking	in front of
	laughing	
	studying	

LESSON SIX

STRUCTURES

This circus is bigger than the last one.  
Is your city smaller than Mexico city?  
My father is older than my mother.  
What do you think of the show?  
He hasn't won a prize.

THE CIRCUS



The circus comes to town every spring. The men put up a tent in a field near the houses. Then, all the people come to see the circus. Almost everybody can afford it. This is a little town, its population is about 30,000.



Pablo and his friends have seen the circus, and they want to go tomorrow but they cannot. They must be at school practicing in the choir.

On Saturday there's a big crowd at the circus, but the boys want to go to the last show. Pablo has asked his father to give him some money. He is going to invite his friends.

The big tent is green and it is in the middle of the field. There is another tent with wild animals. It is smaller than the green one. Pablo and the other boys have visited all the circus and now they have taken their seats very near the round stage. The elephants come in first. They are taller than the horses. The clown with the big tie is older than the other, and he is noisier than the young one, too. He makes people laugh.

The acrobat riding a bicycle is doing tricks with three balls. He is bigger than the lady on the horse. She is a little pretty girl.

The boys have enjoyed the show, and now they are going to spend a little money at the shooting stand. Pablo hasn't won any prizes, but his friend Miguel has. He's better than him shooting ducks.



Answer these questions orally:

When does the circus come to town?  
 Where do the men put up the tent?  
 What do the town's people do?  
 Is this town a big one?  
 What's its population?  
 Who has seen the circus?  
 Can Pablo and his friends go tomorrow?  
 How many times has he been in a circus?  
 Why couldn't Pablo go to the circus that afternoon?  
 What day did they go to the circus?  
 Were there many people there?  
 Who's Pablo going to invite?  
 Who has he asked to give him money?  
 What do the boys want to do after the show?  
 Is your city bigger than Linares?  
 Is it smaller than Mexico city?

PRONUNCIATION:

Repeat these words:

smaller  
 older  
 taller  
 bigger  
 better  
 younger

other  
 than  
 them  
 the  
 that  
 they  
 there

boys  
 enjoy  
 noisy  
 point  
 voice

Repeat these phrases:

Older than her. Better than him.

The boy's voice. Not at all. Look out!

What a view!



Repeat these sentences:

The tiger is bigger than the cat.  
 My father is five years older than my mother.  
 What do you think of the show?  
 How's your father?  
 Is a policeman richer than a teacher?

## NUMBERS:

100 one hundred	103 one hundred and three
112 one hundred and twelve	200 two hundred
240 two hundred and forty	356 three hundred and fifty-six.
504 five hundred and four	944 nine hundred and forty-four
1000 one thousand	2000 two thousand
3700 three thousand, seven hundred	4400 four thousand, four hundred
10 000 ten thousand	20 200 twenty thousand, two hundred
100 000 one hundred thousand	300 000 three hundred thousand
770 000 seven hundred and seventy thousand	1 000 000 one million

1. Repeat after the teacher and then practise:

Mrs. Solis: That sweater is not dark enough.  
 Salesman: I see. YOU WANT SOMETHING DARKER THAN THAT.

That sweater is not bright enough.  
 It isn't cheap enough.  
 That car is not big enough.  
 That test is not hard enough.  
 That soup is not hot enough.  
 That coat is not warm enough.

2. More oral practice.

Is this cheaper than that?

warm	old
nice	good
wide	bright
dark	soft
new	big
hard	short

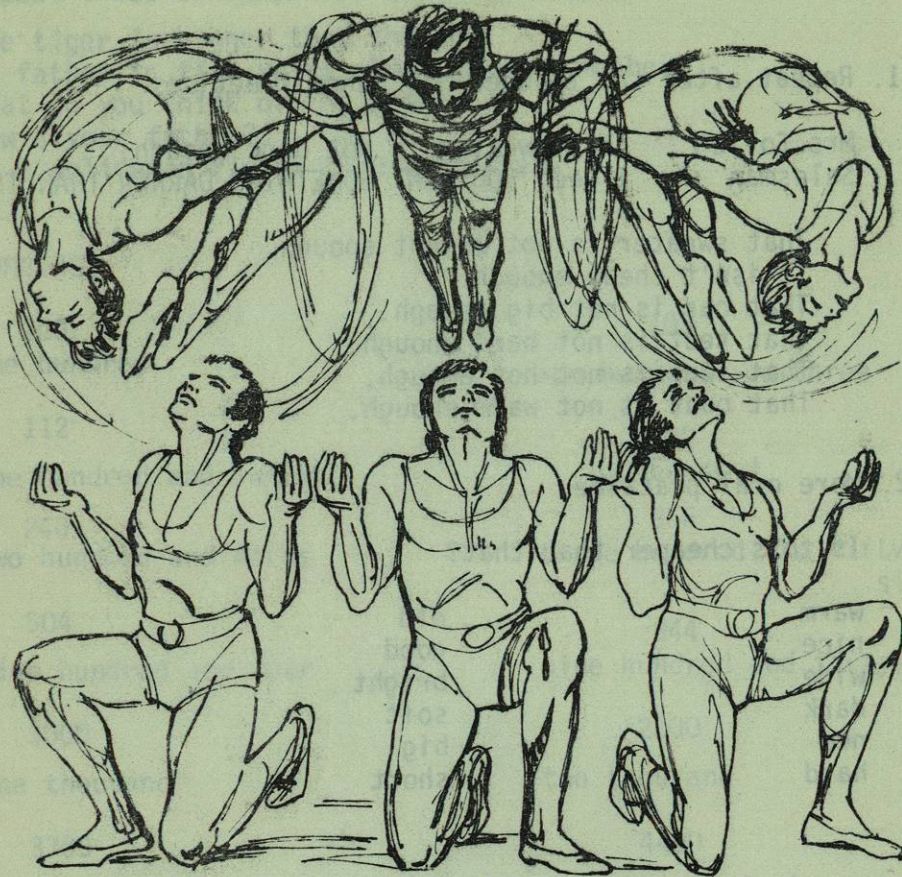
Practise comparing persons and things in the classroom:

Is Sofia's hair darker than Lilia's?

(and so on)



## HAVE YOU SEEN THE CIRCUS?



Angel : Have you seen the circus?

Pablo : Yes, I have. I went with Noé and Joel last Saturday.

Angel : Well, what do you think of the show?  
Which circus did you like better, this year's or last year's?

Pablo : I like this year's better. It has more animals than the last one.

Angel : And more clowns, too. It has fewer acrobats, but I like them better.

Pablo: I do, too. Did you see that last performance? Three men jumped at the same time, they turned over in the air and three other men caught them.

Angel: Yes, wasn't it exciting?

Pablo: They must have practiced that trick for years!

Angel: I want to learn a trick like that one some day.

Pablo: Oh, I'll be afraid only to try it.

## QUESTIONS

Does Pablo like tricks?

Has the circus changed its show?

Is this year's circus bigger than last year's?

Can Angel perform a trick like the one at the circus?

When were they at the circus?

Did Pablo invite Angel to the circus?

Who was at the circus last Saturday?

Do you like clowns?

Do you prefer acrobats?

Who wants to learn the jumping trick?

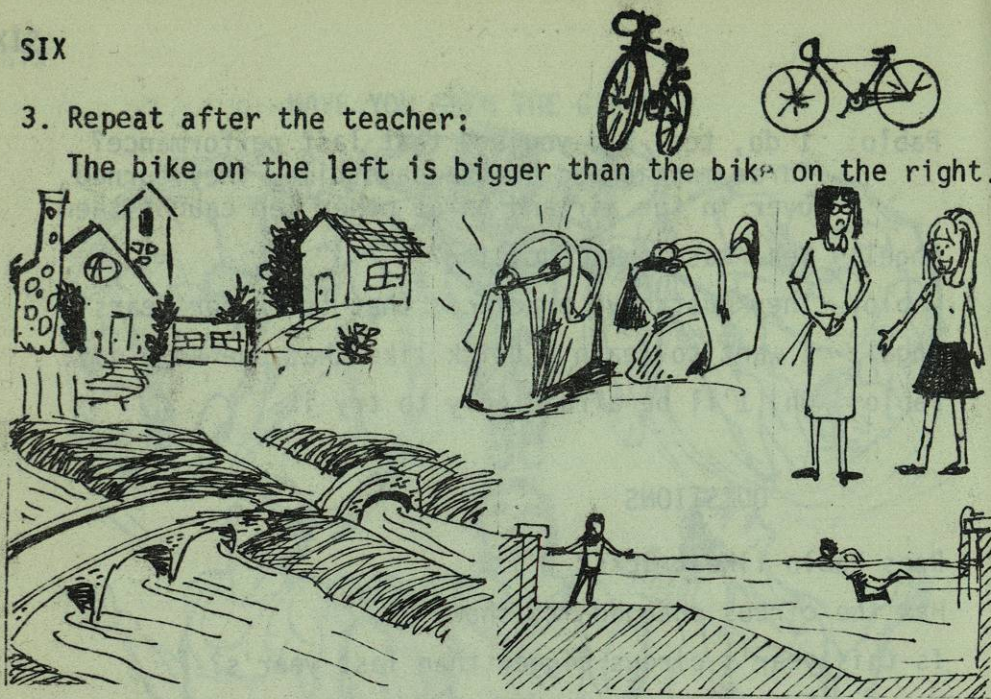
Who is afraid of that jumping trick?

How long have the acrobats practiced that performance?



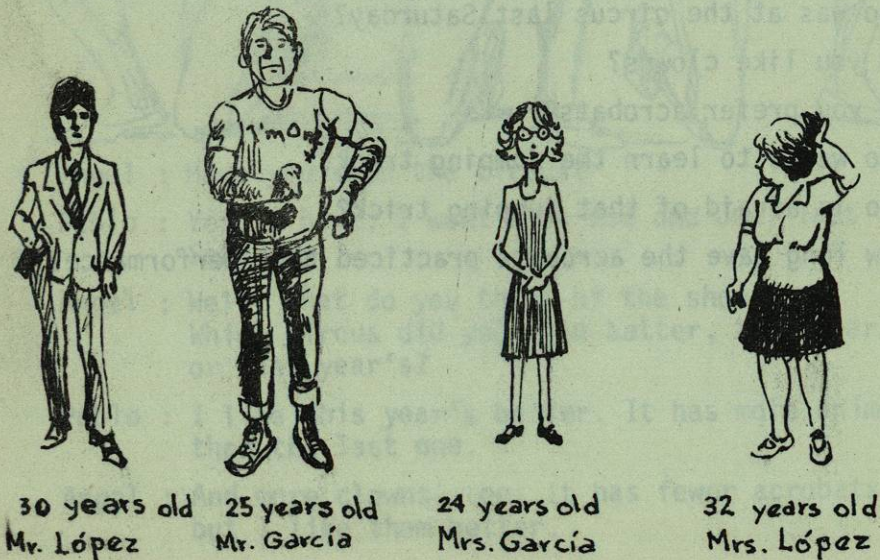
3. Repeat after the teacher:

The bike on the left is bigger than the bike on the right.



Practise with:

low	happy	big	young
narrow	sad	small	old
wide	deep	black	new
tall	shallow	white	



30 years old Mr. López    25 years old Mr. García    24 years old Mrs. García    32 years old Mrs. López

4. Ask and answer:

Is Mrs. García older than her husband?  
No, she isn't. He's older than her.

Use these words and some others you want:

young	old
strong	weak
tall	short
fat	thin
dirty	clean

5. Repeat after the teacher and then practise:

Arturo's car 120 mph.  
Benito's car 50 mph.  
Arturo's car goes faster than Benito's.  
or Benito's car goes slower than Arturo's.

Practise with:

Miguel 1.70 m tall; Aurora 1.68 m.  
Mr. Moreno 60 years old; Mr. Treviño 58 years old.  
Monterrey to Sabinas 100 km; Monterrey to Laredo 259 km.  
Elmer arrived home at 6 pm yesterday; Mario arrived at 10 pm.  
Whisky \$160.00 a bottle; beer \$6.00 a bottle.  
Benito's car 1968; Arturo's car 1977.  
Olga 69 kg; Sonia 77 kg.  
\$200.00 in Oscar's pocket; \$1,260.00 in Cristina's handbag..



6. Repeat after the teacher, then tell the class:

Armando's suit's rather cheap.  
Yes, it's cheaper than my suit.

Practise with:

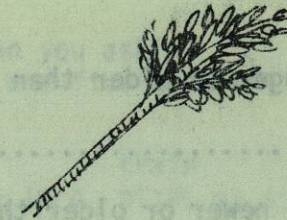
Jorge's car's rather old.  
Mrs. Landa's dog's rather fat.  
Her mother's rather thin.  
Virginia's plate's rather full.  
Ma. Elena's very pretty.  
Esther's skirt's very short.  
Eugenia's bicycle's rather new.  
David's horse's rather fast.

7. Ask and answer:



third  
Is the second camera  
first

cheaper  
smaller than the first one?  
bigger third



third  
Is the second tree  
first

higher  
lower

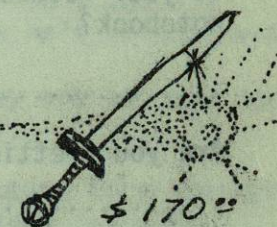
than the first  
third one?  
second



third  
Is the second person  
first

older  
younger

than the first  
second one?  
third



third  
Is the second knife  
first

cheaper  
smaller  
bigger  
heavier  
lighter

than the first  
second one?  
third



8. Answer.

Are you younger or older than your teacher?

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Is your book newer or older than your teacher's book?

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Are you taller or shorter than your father?

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Is your hand broader or narrower than your friend's hand?

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Is your hand colder or warmer than your friend's hand?

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Are you heavier or lighter than your friend?

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Is your notebook smaller or bigger than your friend's notebook?

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Are you prettier or uglier than your friend?

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Are you fatter or thinner than your friend?

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Is your school higher or lower than your house?

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9. How many questions can you ask? Write five questions and five answers.

Is it faster to ride in a train or a helicopter?  
cheaper to ride in a plane or a taxi?  
better car bus

Is it better to eat fish or meat?  
cheaper bread or sandwiches  
fruit cheese

Is it easier to make a chair or a table?  
cleverer sock or a skirt  
cup of coffee glass of beer

10. From these broken sentences make seven good sentences.

The man's hat is very big but it isn't too big because he's writing with it.

The women's hats are very silly and they are too old for him to wear.

Pablo's pencil is very big and because it's too heavy the bridge is broken.

Pedro's coffee is very strong but they aren't too silly because they are wearing them.

Luis' shelves are very high but it isn't too big because he's wearing it.