**Types of Comparisons**

**as + adjective + as** *Martha is as pretty as Julie.*

**not so/as + adjective + as** *Tony isn’t as lazy as Carol.*

**twice/three times, etc./half as + adjective + as**

*Our new flat is three times as big as our old one.*

**the same... as** *I am the same age as Maggie.*

**less + (adjective)... than** *The wooden chair is less comfortable than the leather armchair.*

**the least + (adjective)... of/in** *Mr Morris is the least experienced teacher in our school.*

**the + comparative ..., the + comparative** *The sooner he arrives, the better.*

**comparative + and + comparative** *The* *music got louder and louder as the* *party went on.*

**Like/As**

**Like is used:**

• **for similarities.** She sings like an angel.

• **with feel, look, smell, sound, taste + noun.** *She looks like my aunt Bessie.*

*This coffee tastes like almonds.*

**• with nouns, pronouns or the -ing form to express similarity or contrast.**

*No one can cook* like my father.

**As is used:**

**• to say what sb or sth really is (jobs, roles or functions).** *She worked* as *an editor for ten years.*

*Leonardo di Caprio* was *very good* as *Jack in Titanic.*

*Don’t use the fork* as a *bottle opener.*

**• in certain expressions: as usual, as ... as, as much, such as, the same as.** *She was late as usual.*

*We don't drink as much coffee as we used to.*

**• after accept, be known, class, describe, refer to, regard, use.**

*She is* regarded as *the most innovative reporter of our times.*

**• in clauses of manner to mean “in the way that”.** *We did* as *we were told.*

The structure as ... as ... is also used in certain comparative expressions such as:

as hard as nails

as white as snow

as black as the night

as free as a bird

as cold as ice etc.