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Grammar

Unit7 – Lesson2
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CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION.



- [ ] The green car is as older as the others.
- [ ] The green car is as old as the others.

Ask your students to choose the correct option and then show and read the next slide without any reactions.

Have the Ss repeat the answer chorally and individually. Give a brief explanation if needed.



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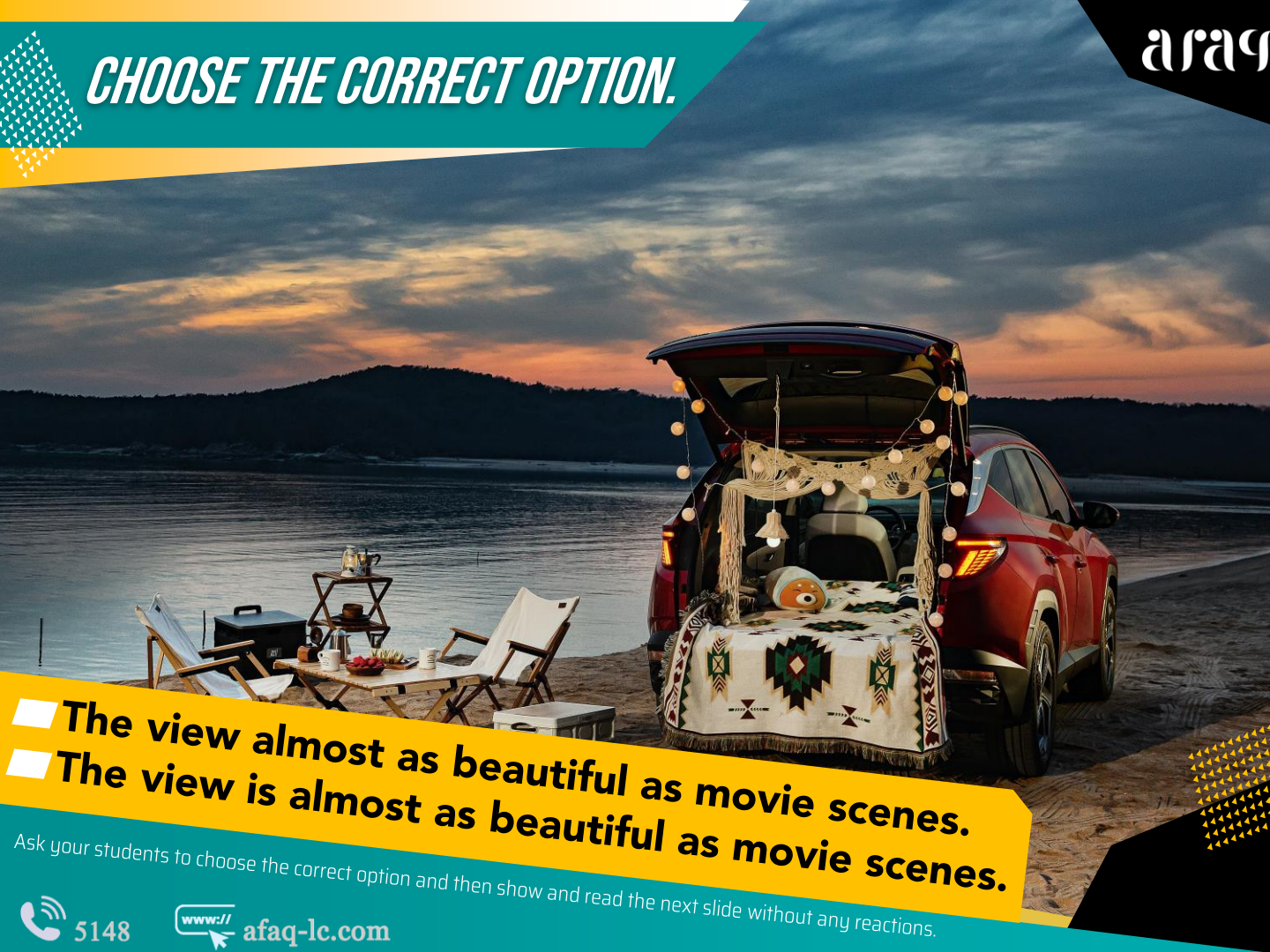
- These clothes are just as classic as my grandmother's.
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- The view almost as beautiful as movie scenes.
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- The t-shirts are as large not as each other.
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The t-shirts are not as large as each other.

CHOOSE THE CORRECT OPTION.



- My clothes are nearly not as new as yours.
- My clothes are not nearly as new as yours.

Ask your students to choose the correct option and then show and read the next slide without any reactions.



My clothes are not nearly as new as yours.

Watch the video and pay attention to the sentences.

Video source: *StartUp4.Grammar.Unit7.Lesson2-1*

Video source: *StartUp4.Grammar.Unit7.Lesson2-2*



Play the video to familiarize your students with the concept of grammar.

LISTEN TO YOUR TEACHER AND REPEAT THE SENTENCES.



almost as = similar,
not as = different,
not nearly as = completely different

Use *as* + adjective + *as* to show similarities or differences between two people or things.

To show similarities

	Just	*As*	Adjective	*As*	
The work is	–	as	**challenging**	as	I thought.
We are	just		**busy**		they are.

To show differences

	Almost, not, not nearly	*As*	Adjective	*As*	
Jun is	almost	as	**experienced**	as	Carmen.
Yuri is	not		**laid-back**		May is.
These designs are	not nearly		**creative**		the last ones.

Notes

- Use *just* to make the comparison stronger.
- If the verb in the first and second part of the comparison are the same, you can leave it out in the second part. *Yuri* ***is*** *not as laid-back as May (is).*
- You can leave out the second part of the comparison when the meaning is clear because it's already been mentioned.
  A: Sue ***has a lot of meetings today****.* *B: Ask Sam.* ***He isn't as busy*** *(as Sue is).*

A Complete the email. Make comparisons with *as…as* and the words in parentheses.

From: Ying Lee To: Lan

Hi, Lan.

Greetings from Houston! Moving overseas and starting a new job has been a little scary.

But it's not nearly as scary as (1 (not nearly / scary)) I thought it would be! Everyone has been so kind and helpful. My new coworkers are _____ (2 (supportive)) my old co-workers. And the atmosphere at the office is _____ (3 (not / intimidating)) I had imagined. The work is _____ (4 (challenging)) I had expected, but I know it will get easier. And I love the city. Houston is _____ (5 (just/hot)) Shanghai. The traffi c is also bad, but it's _____ (6 (not nearly / bad)) the traffic back home. My new co-worker from the office is _____ (7 (just / enthusiastic)) I am about live music. So we are going to see some bands this weekend.

I can't wait! I hope everything is going well with you. Send an email or text me when you can.

Ying

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C ▶07-07 Listen to the conversations. Circle the correct answer.

1. The presentation was ***more useful*** / ***less useful*** than he had hoped.
2. Her new job is ***more exciting than*** / ***as exciting as*** her old job.
3. The new project is ***much more challenging*** / ***much less challenging*** than the last one.
4. He would like his boss to be ***more supportive*** / ***less supportive***.
5. Yesterday, she was ***a lot more*** / ***a lot less*** tired.
6. He hoped the designs would be ***better*** / ***worse***.
7. She thought she would be ***more nervous*** / ***less nervous*** about the interview.
8. His new office is ***a little bigger*** / ***a little smaller*** than his old office.
9. Both of them are ***excited*** / ***not excited*** about our trip to New York.



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Oral Practice



Practice different forms of grammar by providing the context to Ss and having them produce sentences individually.

Have Ss do part A in class. After a while have them do part B in breakout rooms.

IN PAIRS!



5 TRY IT YOURSELF

A MAKE IT PERSONAL Think about your classes, job, a sport, or hobby. How do they compare with what you expected? Make notes. Use the vocabulary in 1A.

B PAIRS Student A, talk about your expectations. Student B, ask follow-up question

A: Learning English isn't as intimidating as I expected.
B: What do you mean?

HOMEWORK

B Rewrite the sentences. Make comparisons with *as…as* and the words in parentheses.

1. Dan is not very busy. Marc is very, very busy.
   Dan is not nearly as busy as Marc.
   (not nearly / busy)
2. Kelly has two years of experience. Yuko has two and a half years of experience.
   Kelly is _____ Yuko.
   (almost / experienced)
3. I think learning English is challenging. But learning Chinese is a lot more challenging.
   Learning English _____ learning Chinese.
   (not nearly / challenging)
4. Marco was confident in the review. Lucas wasn't so confident.
   Lucas was _____ Marco.
   (not / confident)
5. Alba is very talented. Diego is also very talented.
   Alba is _____ Diego.
   (just / talented)
6. This project is easy. The last project was really intense.
   This project _____ the last one.
   (not nearly / difficult)
7. My old manager was laid-back. My new manager is not laid-back at all.
   My new manager is _____ my old one.
   (not nearly / laid-back)

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