

Grammar

EXPRESSING PREFERENCES

İki şey arasında tercih belirtirken “prefer” ya da “would rather” kalıplarını kullanabiliriz. Her iki kalıp da cümleye “tercih etmek” anlamı katar.

PREFER TO

Prefer (noun) to (noun)

I prefer basketball to football. (Basketbolu futbola tercih ederim.)

I prefer rafting to kayaking. (Rafting'i kayağa tercih ederim.)

Prefer (verb+ing) to (verb+ing)

Jill prefers climbing a mountain to riding an elephant. (Jill dağa tırmanmayı file binmeye tercih eder.)

Adam prefers joining a motorcycle tour to going scuba diving. (Adam motorsiklet turuna katılmayı tüplü dalışa gitmeye tercih eder.)

WOULD RATHER THAN

Would rather (verb) than (verb)

I would rather go camping than stay at a hotel. (Kampa gitmeyi otelde kalmaya tercih ederim.)

She would rather play tennis than play volleyball. (O tenis oynamayı voleybol oynamaya tercih eder.)

GIVING EXPLANATIONS AND REASONS

Bir tercihimiz hakkında açıklama yaparken ya da sebep belirtirken “because” bağlacını kullanabiliriz.

I would rather ride a bike than ride a motorbike because it's healthier and safer. (Bisiklete binmeyi motorsiklete binmeye tercih ederim çünkü daha sağlıklı ve daha güvenli.)

I prefer seeing the Pyramids because I'm interested in historic places. (Piramitleri görmeyi tercih ederim çünkü tarihi yerlere ilgi duyarım.)

I would rather go on a jeep safari in the desert because I love cars. (Çölde jeep safari yapmayı tercih ederim çünkü arabaları severim.)

EXERCISE 1: Order the sentences.

would	is	because	it	watch	I	fascinating	so	whales	rather
1.									
like	underwater hockey	prefer	surfing	I	team sports	because	more	I	to
2.									
interested in	because	would rather	the Ephesus	I'm	history	I	see	culture	and
3.									
for	but also	Rafting	young	not	old ones	is	people	only	the
4.									
jumping	Skydiving	and	is	out of	the parachute	a plane	opening	slow down	to
5.									

EXERCISE 2: Fill in the blanks with “prefer” or “would rather”.

- Arthur _____ go caving than go highlining.
- I _____ doing windsurfing in summers.
- James _____ bungee jumping to scuba diving.
- Sam _____ not do water sports.
- We _____ rafting to canoeing.
- My father _____ go trekking than go swimming.
- They _____ seeing famous historic places.
- I _____ heli-skiing to hang-gliding.
- Amy _____ do team sports.
- Barbara _____ attending summer camps with her friends.

EXERCISE 3: Match people with the sports/activities.

A

I prefer flying in a hot air balloon; I think it's exciting.



B

I would rather go caving because I love mysterious sports.



C

I prefer paragliding because watching views over the land is fascinating.



D

I would rather play golf because it's a safe sport.



E

I prefer rock climbing. I think it's a challenging sport.



EXERCISE 4: Tick the sports he/she prefers.

A. Jenny would rather go ice climbing than go mountain biking.



B. Sandra would rather practice archery than swim.



C. Chloe prefers heli-skiing to highlining.



D. Mark prefers kitesurfing to surfing.



EXERCISE 5: Answer the questions on your own.

1. Have you ever tried any extreme sports? _____
2. What adventure types do you prefer? _____
3. Are you an adrenaline seeker? Why? Why not? _____
4. What dangerous sports or activities have you done so far? _____
5. Would you like to try paragliding? Why? Why not? _____

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MAKING COMPARISONS

Karşılaştırma yapılan cümlelerde sıfatı belirtirken uyulması gereken birkaç basit kural vardır:

One syllable (Tek heceli) ➔ Tek heceli sıfatların sonuna -er eki getirilir.

hard – harder safe – safer

I think scuba diving is safer than surfing. (Bence tüplü dalış sörf'ten daha güvenli.)

Ice climbing is harder than rock climbing. (Buz tırmanışı kaya tırmanışından daha zor.)

One syllable consonant + short vowel + consonant ➔ **Sessiz harf + sesli harf + sessiz harf** formundaki tek heceli sıfatlarda son harf tekrarlanır ve -er eki eklenir.

big – bigger hot – hotter

My helmet is bigger than yours. (Benim kaskım seninkinden daha büyük.)

Summers are hotter than winters. (Yazlar kışlardan daha sıcaktır.)

Two syllables ending in -y ➔ -y harfi ile biten iki heceli sıfatlarda sondaki -y atılır -ier eklenir.

easy – easier risky – riskier

I think canoeing is easier than rafting. (Bence kano rafting'den daha kolay.)

Skydiving is riskier than bungee jumping. (Skydiving bungee jumping'den daha riskli.)

Two or more syllables ➔ İki ya da daha fazla heceli sıfatlarda sıfattan önce "more" kullanılır.

dangerous – more dangerous exciting – more exciting

Motor racing is more dangerous than mountain biking. (Motor yarışı dağ bisikletçiliğinden daha tehlikeli.)

Underwater hockey is more exciting than swimming. (Su altı hokeyi yüzmeden daha heyecanlı.)

Irregular adjectives ➔ Bazı düzensiz sıfatlar bu kurallara uymazlar. Karşılaştırma halleri farklıdır.

good – better bad – worse little – less many – more

My new gloves are better than the old ones. (Yeni eldivenlerim eskilerinden daha iyi.)

Today, the weather is worse than yesterday. (Bugün hava dün'den daha kötü.)

EXERCISE 1: Read the sentences and write "True" or "False".

a

June is colder than February in England. _____

b

Norway is more crowded than Japan. _____

c

Planes are more comfortable than trains. _____

d

Big cities are noisier than small cities. _____

e

Being a farmer is riskier than being an astronaut. _____

EXERCISE 2: Complete the sentences with the comparative forms of the adjectives given.

POPULAR

EXPENSIVE

FAST

LONG

HIGH

- The trekking route in Overland Track in Tasmania was _____ than we expected.
- Scuba diving is _____ than swimming. You need to buy more equipment to do it.
- Mount Everest is _____ than Uludağ.
- Football is _____ than golf in Turkey.
- Motorbikes are _____ than bikes.

EXERCISE 3: Write the comparative forms of the adjectives in paranthesis.

1. The Great Wall of China is _____ (old) than Burj Khalifa.
2. I think riding a camel is _____ (frightening) than riding a horse.
3. I prefer travelling around America to Europe because it's _____ (fascinating).
4. Driving a jeep in the desert is _____ (challenging) than riding a motorbike along the beach.
5. Water polo is _____ (safe) than diving.
6. Base jumping is _____ (amusing) than highlining.
7. Climbing is _____ (good) than trekking.
8. Taking photograph of whales is _____ (entertaining) than going bungee jumping.
9. Playing tennis is _____ (healthy) than playing computer games.
10. Joining a motorcycle tour is _____ (bad) than going on a jeep safari.

EXERCISE 4: Match the adjectives with their comparative forms.

ADJECTIVES		COMPARATIVES	
1 disappointing	2 little	A more enjoyable	B more stressful
3 mysterious	4 stressful	C more interesting	D more disappointing
5 small	6 interesting	E smaller	F shorter
7 short	8 enjoyable	G more mysterious	H less

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8

EXERCISE 5: Answer the questions on your own.

- 1 What activities can a visitor do in Turkey?
- 2 What kind of sports do you prefer doing?
- 3 What do you think about extreme sports?
- 4 What is your craziest dream adventure?
- 5 Which one do you prefer; going skiing or surfing? Why?