

**English on the air II**

**إنجليزي عَ الهواء II**

# Comprehension

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# Today's Reading:

- **Proverbs 25: 19:** Trusting a double-crosser when you're in trouble is like biting down on an abscessed tooth.
- **Job 4: 10-11:** The mighty lion, king of the beasts, roars mightily, but when he's toothless he's useless- No teeth, no prey- and the cubs wander off to fend for themselves.
- **Psalms 57: 4:** I find myself in a pride of lions who are wild for a taste of human flesh; their teeth are lances and arrows, their tongues are sharp daggers.

# Vocabulary

## مفردات ومعاني

# **At the dentist**

## **عند طبيب الأسنان**

## **At the reception:**

- Can I make an appointment to see the dentist?
- I'd like a check-up.
- Please take a seat
- Would you like to come through?

## **During the examination:**

- When did you last visit the dentist?
- Have you had any problems?
- I've got toothache.
- One of my fillings has come out.
- I've chipped a tooth.
- I'd like a clean and polish, please.

- Can you open your mouth, please?  
A little wider, please.
- I'm going to give you an x-ray.
- You've got a bit of decay in this one.
- You've got an abscess.

### **Dental treatment:**

- You need two fillings.
- I'm going to have to take this tooth out.
- Do you want to have a crown fitted?
- I'm going to give you an injection.
- Let me know if you feel any pain.
- Would you like to rinse your mouth out?
- How much will it cost?

# Grammar

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# Adjectives

- An adjective is a word that describes a person or thing: *big, pretty, expensive, green, round, French, loud, quick, fat, etc.*
- Example sentences: *He has **big blue** eyes.*  
*The **new** car broke down.*  
*The **old** lady was talking in a **quiet** voice.*

# Comparative adjectives

- "Comparative" means comparing something to something else.
- Comparative adjective show us which thing is better, worse, stronger, weaker, and so forth: *better, worse, bigger, smaller, nicer, fatter, thinner, more dangerous, etc.*
  - *She is a **better** student **than** her brothers.*
  - *The test was **worse than** I've expected.*
  - *You are **stronger than** me.*
  - *He seems **healthier**.*
  - *You are **more beautiful than** her.*

# Superlative adjectives

- *"Superlative" means "of the highest degree."*
- *Superlative adjectives show us which thing is the best, the strongest, and so forth: best, worst, strongest, smallest, cheapest, most expensive, etc.*
  - *You are **my best** friend.*
  - *This is **the worst** day of my life.*
  - *Even **the smallest** donation helps.*
  - *This is **the most expensive** restaurant I've ever heard of.*

# Forming Comparatives and Superlatives

Adjective form	Comparative	Superlative
Only one syllable, ending in <b>E</b> . Examples: wide, fine, cute	Add <b>-r</b> : wider, finer, cuter	Add <b>-st</b> : widest, finest, cutest
Only one syllable, with one vowel and one consonant at the end. Examples: hot, big, fat	Double the consonant, and add <b>-er</b> : hotter, bigger, fatter	Double the consonant, and add <b>-est</b> : hottest, biggest, fattest

# Forming Comparatives and Superlatives

Adjective form	Comparative	Superlative
Only one syllable, with more than one vowel or more than one consonant at the end. Examples: light, neat, fast	Add -er: lighter, neater, faster	Add -est: lightest, neatest, fastest
Two syllables, ending in Y. Examples: happy, silly, lonely	Change y to i, then add -er: happier, sillier, lonelier	Change y to i, then add -est: happiest, silliest, loneliest
Two syllables or more, not ending in Y. Examples: modern, interesting, beautiful	Use “more” before the adjective: more modern, more interesting, more beautiful	Use “most” before the adjective: most modern, most interesting, most beautiful

# Forming Irregular Comparatives and Superlatives

Bad	worse than	the worst
Much/many	more than	the most
Little	less than	the least
Far	farther/further than	the farthest/furthest

# Idioms:

Idiom	Meaning
Armed to the teeth	<p>- Fully armed, having many weapons.</p> <p><i>The robbers were armed to the teeth when they robbed the bank.</i></p>
Bite one's tongue	<p>-To try hard not to say something that you would like to say (often used when you want to criticize someone).</p> <p><i>I always bite my tongue when I am talking with my aunt so that I do not say the wrong thing and make her angry.</i></p>
Have a sweet tooth	<p>- To like to eat sweet foods.</p> <p><i>The girl has a sweet tooth. She loves chocolate.</i></p>

# Idioms:

Idiom	Meaning
Lie through one's teeth	<p>- To lie in a bold manner.</p> <p><i>The man's story was impossible to believe. He was lying through his teeth.</i></p>
Show one's teeth	<p>- To show one's anger or strength in order to warn someone not to argue or fight with you.</p> <p><i>Our supervisor showed his teeth when I began to argue with him about my job.</i></p>