

## How to say THAN in italian

When making comparisons in Italian, the second term of comparison can be introduced by either on these two words:

Ways to say "**THAN**" in Italian:

▷ **DI**

▷ **CHE**

**DI** is used when comparing **TWO DIFFERENT ITEMS** based on the same quality.

**CHE** is used when comparing **TWO QUALITIES** of the same item

▷ **SOME EXAMPLES:**

*Marco è più alto di Piero*

Marco is taller than Piero

*Io mangio meno di te*

I eat less than you

*L'Australia è più grande dell'Italia*

Australia is bigger than Italy (Here **dell'** is the combination of **di** with the article **l'** needed for Italia)

*La pizza è più buona della pasta*

Pizza tastes better than pasta (Here **della** is the combination of **di** with the article **la** needed for pasta)

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In the above examples, we are comparing **two items** (Marco and Piero, me and you, Australia and Italy, pizza and pasta) by the **same quality** (height, how much we eat, size, taste).

*Stefano è più bello che intelligente*

Stefano is more handsome than intelligent

*L'Italia è più turistica che tecnologica*

Italy is more touristy than technological

*Marta parla più francese che tedesco*

Marta speaks more french than german

*Marta parla meno francese che tedesco*

Marta speaks less french than german

In the above examples, we are comparing **two qualities** (looks and brains, touristy vs technological, the speaking of french and german) of the **same item** (Stefano, Italy, and Marta)

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## ▷ EXERCISE

Translate the first group of sentences into Italian and the second group into English.

1. She is smarter than him

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2. Florence is prettier than Venice

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3. Wine is cheaper than Coca Cola

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4. Italy is smaller than the USA

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5. Lisa è più bella di Sara

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6. Luigi è meno noioso di Mario

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7. La mia macchina è più veloce della tua

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8. Studiare italiano è più facile che studiare tedesco

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## ▷ ANSWERS

1. Lei è più intelligente di lui
2. Firenze è più bella di Venezia
3. Il vino è più economico della Coca Cola (OR il vino costa meno della Coca Cola)
4. L'Italia è più piccola degli Stati Uniti (d'America)
5. Lisa is prettier than Sara
6. Luigi is less boring than Mario
7. My car is faster than yours
8. Studying Italian is easier than studying German

## ▷ YOUR NOTES