



# ADVENTURES IN LANGUAGE



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## A Rewrite the sentences with 比 (bǐ), 跟 (gēn), or 像 (xiàng).

1. 这本书贵，那本书也贵。  
Zhè běn shū guì, nà běn shū yě guì.  
This book is expensive, that book is also expensive.
2. 我喜欢看电影，他不喜欢看电影。  
Wǒ xǐhuan kàn diànyǐng, tā bù xǐhuan kàn diànyǐng.  
I like watching movies, he doesn't like watching movies.
3. 这两条裙子都漂亮。  
Zhè liǎng tiáo qúnzi dōu piàoliang.  
These two skirts are both beautiful.
4. 哥哥高，弟弟不高。  
Gēge gāo, dìdì bù gāo.  
The elder brother is tall, the younger brother is not tall.

## B Translate the following sentences into Mandarin.

1. Dad likes reading books more than Mom.  
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2. My room is the same size as my brother's room.  
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3. The younger brother doesn't like playing football as much as his older brother.  
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4. This luggage is 10 kg heavier than that luggage.  
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## C Use 比 (bǐ) and 跟 (gēn) to describe the following three pictures:

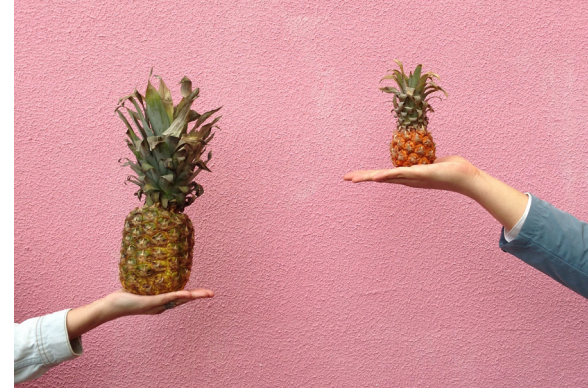


1. **Clue:** These two men are similar in height.

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2. **Clue:** One fruit is bigger than the other.

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3. **Clue:** The two pictures are not the same.

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## A

1. 这本书跟那本书一样贵。  
Zhè běn shū gēn nà běn shū yíyàng guì.  
This book is as expensive as that book.
2. 我比他喜欢看电影。  
Wǒ bǐ tā xǐhuan kàn diànyǐng.  
I like watching movies more than he does.
3. 这条裙子像那条裙子一样漂亮。  
Zhè tiáo qúnzi xiàng nà tiáo qúnzi yíyàng piàoliang.  
This skirt is as beautiful as that one.
4. 哥哥比弟弟高。  
Gēge bǐ dìdì gāo.  
The elder brother is taller than the younger brother.

## B

1. 爸爸比妈妈喜欢看书。  
Bàba bǐ māma xǐhuan kàn shū.
2. 我的房间跟弟弟的房间一样大。  
Wǒ de fángjiān gēn dìdì de fángjiān yíyàng dà.
3. 弟弟不像哥哥那么喜欢踢足球。  
Dìdì bù xiàng gēge nàme xǐhuan tī zúqiú.
4. 这件行李比那件行李重10公斤。  
Zhè jiàn xíngli bǐ nà jiàn xíngli zhòng 10 gōngjīn.

## C

1. 左边的男人跟右边的男人一样高。  
Zuǒbiān de nánrén gēn yòubiān de nánrén yíyàng gāo.  
The man on the left is as tall as the man on the right.
2. 一个水果比另一个水果小。  
Yíge shuǐguǒ bǐ lìng yíge shuǐguǒ xiǎo.  
One fruit is smaller than the other fruit.
3. 左边的照片跟右边的照片不一样。  
Zuǒbiān de zhàopiàn gēn yòubiān de zhàopiàn bù yíyàng.  
The photo on the left is different from the photo on the right.

