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[www.thailandhotels.com](http://www.thailandhotels.com)

An EFL lesson based on the web site

High-intermediate

3 class periods

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*Along with Asia Travel and possibly one or two others, Thai Hotels is one of the more comprehensive and convenient online information and booking centers for vacations in Thailand. Since several other lessons entail vacation bookings, this lesson emphasizes information retrieval. This is also combined with a grammar section in **comparatives and superlatives***

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### What should I do?

1. Go to [www.thailandhotels.com](http://www.thailandhotels.com) Click on Thailand/Bangkok. On the next page, look at the destinations at the top-left of the page:

From all these destinations, mark with a  the ones that list an Amari Hotel. Then find and mark, with an , the place that has the Suan Thip Vana Resort.

<u>Bangkok</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Hua Nin	<input type="checkbox"/> Pattaya	<input type="checkbox"/> Trang
<u>Pattaya</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Phuket	<input type="checkbox"/> Bangkok	<input type="checkbox"/> Chiang Mai
<u>Phuket</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Hat Yai	<input type="checkbox"/> MaeHong Son	<input type="checkbox"/> Chiang Rai
<u>Krabi / Phi Phi</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Suratthani	<input type="checkbox"/> Koh Samui	<input type="checkbox"/> Samed Island
<u>Koh Samui</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> Rayong	<input type="checkbox"/> Koh Phi Phi	<input type="checkbox"/> Satun
<u>Cha Am/Hua Hin</u>			
<u>Chiang Mai</u>			
<u>Kanchanaburi</u>			
<u>Rayong</u>			
<u>More destinations</u>			

2. Now click on Krabi/Koh Phi Phi or go to <http://thailandhotels.net/phiPhi.htm> . There are about 20 hotels on Phi Phi Don Island, but we want you to find a list with comparisons of the following hotels:

- PP Princess Resort
- Pee Pee Island Village
- Phi Phi Island Cabana Hotel
- P. P. Natural Resort
- Tonsai Village

## 3. Next, answer the following questions.

Pay special attention to comparative and superlative forms in grammar (for example, *Jane is younger than Jack = Jane is not as old as Jack = Jack is older than Jane = Jack is not as young as Jane*).

- (a) The Princess Resort is not as expensive as the Phi Phil Island Cabana Hotel for the cheapest room from May to October. (\$1 = 48 Thai Bath) **T/F**
- (b) Look at the photos of the five hotels. The Tonsai Village Resort has more trees around it than any of the other hotels. **T/F**
- (c) Which hotel has the longest list of Guest services (the most services)?

(d) The Princess offers more guest services than the Cabana. **T/F**

(e) Now, state your answer to (f) in a different way:

The Princess \_\_\_\_\_ n't offer \_\_\_\_\_ services \_\_\_\_\_ the Cabana.

(f) The Tonsai Village Resort is closer to the beach than the Natural Resort. **T/F**  
(Hint: for questions (f) and (g), look at the photos.)

(g) The \_\_\_\_\_ Resort isn't \_\_\_\_\_ close to the beach \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ Resort.

(h) The Cabana Hotel is farther north than the Natural Resort. **T/F**

Now restate your answer in a sentence using "not as..."

4. Click on the Facilities link for each hotel and compare the hotel services that are mentioned by checking the appropriate boxes. Some boxes have been done for you.

<b>Hotel services</b>	<b>Princess Resort</b>	<b>Island Village</b>	<b>Cabana Hotel</b>	<b>Natural Resort</b>	<b>Tonsai Village</b>
Safety deposit box					
Babysitter					
Restaurant	3	3		3	
Laundry service					3
Email service					
Money exchange			3		
Free deck chairs					

5. Now let's compare the prices for the cheapest room (regardless of the time of year). **Write down the price in U.S. dollars.** When the price is given in Thai baht, just divide by 48. Example: 4800 Thai baht = \$100. 2000 baht is  $2000/48 = \$41.60$

Hotel name	Price per night
PP Princess Resort	\$
Pee Pee Island Village	\$
Phi Phi Island Cabana Hotel	\$
Phi Phi Natural Resort	\$
Tonsai Village Resort	\$

*End of lesson. Answer key on next page.*

## Answer key

1.

- Hua Nin       Pattaya       Trang  
 Phuket       Bangkok       Chiang Mai  
 Hat Yai       MaeHong Son       Chiang Rai  
 Suratthani       Koh Samui       Samed Island  
 Rayong       Koh Phi Phi       Satun

3.

- (a) T  
 (b) F  
 (c) PP Natural Resort with 15. Acceptable alternative ans: PP Island Cabana, with 14.  
 (d) F  
 (e) The Princess doesn't offer as many services as the Cabana.  
 (f) T  
 (g) The Natural Resort isn't as close to the beach as the Tonsai Village Resort.  
 (h) F. The Canaba Hotel is not as far north as the Natural Resort.

4.

Hotel facilities	Princess Resort	Island Village	Cabana Hotel	Natural Resort	Tonsai Village
Safety deposit box			3		3
Babysitter			3		
Restaurant	3	3	3	3	3
Laundry service	3	3	3		3
Email service	3				
Money exchange	3	3	3		
Free deck chairs			3		3

5.

Hotel name	Price per night
PP Princess Resort	\$ 50
Pee Pee Island Village	\$ 48
Phi Phi Island Cabana Hotel	\$ 40
Phi Phi Natural Resort	\$ 21
Tonsai Village Resort	\$ 57

(Where \$1 = 48 baht)

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