

Advanced comparisons

than that/those of , from that/those of, to that/those of...

We use **than** when we compare two things or people directly.

- Mike is taller than John.

We use **than that/those of** when we compare the characteristics or attributes of those things or people.

Examples :

- Mike's salary is lower **than that of** John.
- Barclays shares are much better value **than those of** Lloyds Banking.
- Dogs have a sense of smell that is five times more sensitive **than that of** humans.

We can also use **from that/those of, to that/those of** , etc. to make comparisons.

More examples :

- His approach to selling fine china is far superior **to that of** his competitors.
- These materials have profiles of properties quite different **from those of** other engineering materials.