Comparación de igualdad

In English, we often compare two items that have the same characteristics. We might say that the two items are alike or equal.

When we are talking about two characteristics with equal qualities, we use the expression <u>as…as</u> in English.

1. **To compare equal <u>qualities</u> in Spanish, we use <u>tan…..como</u> with either an adjective or an adverb.**

   The adjective or adverb comes IN BETWEEN *tan* and *como*.

   - **John is as tall as I am.** — **Juan es <u>tan</u> alto <u>como</u> yo.**
   - **We play as well as he.** — **Nosotros jugamos tan bien como él.**

When we are talking about two characteristics with equal quanities, we use the *as much…as* or *as many…as* in English.

2. **To compare equal <u>quantities</u> in Spanish, we use tanto…como with nouns.**

   The noun comes IN BETWEEN *tanto* and *como.*

   ***Because *tanto* is an adjective it has to agree with the noun it modifies. Therefore, there are four forms: tanto, tantos, tanta, tantas.**

   - **I have as many cars as he has.** — **Yo tengo tantos carros como él.**
   - **He has as much money as I.** — **Él tiene tanto dinero como yo.**

Fill in the blanks with either *tan…como* or *tanto…como*.

1. Nosotros somos _____ ricos_____ellos.
2. La música es_____clara_____agua.
3. Los chicos tienen _____carros_____sus padres.
4. Mercedes es _____simpática _____ Carla.
5. El hospital de la ciudad tiene_____pacientes_____el hospital del campo.
6. Carmen estudia _____horas_____Pancho.
7. Las chicas comen_____comida_____los chicos.
8. Yo juego_____bien_____mi hermano.
9. Ella tiene _____libros_____ ellos.
10. Señorita Yémez es_____alta_____ yo.
11. Pedro y Antonio están_____enfermos _____su madre.
12. Nosotros tocamos el piano_____bien_____Adriana.
13. Roberto corre _____rápido _____Ricardo.

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