

GRAMMAR

**1** **PET** Complete the second sentence so that it means the same as the first. Use no more than three words.

- 1 This time the architectural brief was shorter than the previous one because the project was simpler.  
→ This time the architectural brief wasn't as \_\_\_\_\_ the previous one because the project was simpler.
- 2 The client is worried because he hasn't had the chance to speak to the architect for two days.  
→ The client is worried because \_\_\_\_\_ to the architect two days ago.
- 3 CAD software is much better for producing architectural drawings than manual ones.  
→ Manual drawings aren't \_\_\_\_\_ drawings produced with CAD software.
- 4 An architectural report contains different information from an architectural brief.  
→ An architectural brief doesn't have the \_\_\_\_\_ an architectural report.
- 5 They spent a lot of money on repairs because the building was very badly damaged.  
→ The building was \_\_\_\_\_ that they had to spend a lot of money on repairs.
- 6 Check the overall conditions of a building before buying.  
→ Before buying, remember \_\_\_\_\_ overall conditions of a building.

**2** Write the questions for these answers.

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
They have divided the building report into five different sections.
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
They wrote the architectural report a few months ago.
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
They have had to spend so much on repairs due to the amount of structural damage in the foundations.
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
They used the architectural drawing to persuade the client that the design was the ideal solution.
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
Tom's architectural brief was ten pages long.
- 6 \_\_\_\_\_ ?  
It took him three hours to finish the drawing for the client.

**3** Complete the sentences with the comparative or superlative form of the adjectives in brackets.

- 1 John is the \_\_\_\_\_ (old) member of the company and has worked here all his life.
- 2 The \_\_\_\_\_ (important) thing to remember when writing an architectural brief is to include all the information which isn't in the drawing.
- 3 CAD drawings are much \_\_\_\_\_ (versatile) than traditional drawings done by hand.
- 4 The condition of the building was much \_\_\_\_\_ (bad) than they had expected.
- 5 The \_\_\_\_\_ (quick) way to evaluate a house accurately is to get an architectural report on the property.
- 6 The document must be presented to the authorities no \_\_\_\_\_ (late) than Wednesday.

**4** Translate the following sentences into English.

- 1 I potenziali acquirenti della casa non hanno ancora deciso se comprarla perché aspettano di leggere la relazione tecnica.  
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- 2 È così bravo nel suo lavoro che non ha mai commesso un errore durante la scrittura di una relazione architettonica.  
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- 3 Finora non hanno speso tanto quanto pensavano per riparare il tetto, perché hanno un costruttore molto onesto e qualificato.  
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- 4 Quando si resero conto che la proprietà era in cattivo stato, decisero di abbandonare l'idea di acquistarla.  
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- 5 Solo quando avrà tutte le informazioni, il cliente sarà in grado di stimare quanto dovrà spendere per la ristrutturazione dell'edificio.  
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- 6 Più esaminano l'edificio, più danni strutturali trovano.  
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