

Then or Than

Then is used to mark the sequence of time.

"Chris had to finish his broccoli, and **then** he got to eat a piece of yummy chocolate cake."

Because of the word **then**, you know that broccoli came before the cake.

Than is used to make comparisons.

"Chris likes eating chocolate cake much better **than** broccoli."

Because of the word **than**, you know that Chris would rather eat cake.



Practice with Then and Than

Read the sentences below and fill in each blank with either the word then or than.

1. If someone gave her the chance, Emily would rather ride a unicorn _____ a dinosaur.
2. Sammy wished his dog would do his homework for him and _____ help him study for his test.
3. Franco would much rather play video games _____ do his homework.
4. If Joey had not eaten all of the candy _____ there would still be some left for Luka.
5. Karyn told her mother that she would much rather be in the sun _____ in the snow!
6. Laurie has to go grocery shopping and _____ she can cook dinner for her kids.
7. If Chris could have a pet, he would rather have a cat _____ a dog.
8. Tina told her father that she likes to draw more _____ anything else in the world.