

# LESSON 18

## *Further, farther*

Study the following sentences

- (i) I am too tired, I cannot go further.
- (ii) I am too tired, I cannot go farther than this.

Remember, 'Far' has two comparative and superlative forms:

farther, further; farthest, furthest

- (i) When you talk about distance use either farther, farthest or further, furthest.
- (ii) But to talk about the degree or extent of something, further or furthest are preferred.

Example:

Is there any Further progress?

- (iii) Further can also mean more or additional.

Example:

Are there any further questions?

Now compare

- (i) You may have to walk still further to reach my house.
- (ii) My house is farther than this.

### Exercise 1

Complete the following sentences choosing between further and farther.

- (i) We had to walk ..... than your directions suggested
- (ii) Columbus went to ..... distances when he suddenly reached America.
- (iii) Has there been any ..... progress in the discussion?
- (iv) Read a little ..... and you shall understand the meaning.
- (v) Please tell me ..... the events in the story.
- (vi) Don't try to go in ..... details. You may be caught.

(vii) Take ..... details from Shanti. I know only this much.

(viii) He is trying to go much ..... in the matter than what he should have.

(ix) From Rohtang pass in Manali, if you go ..... you reach Lahaul Spiti.

(x) It's too cold in Rohtang pass. I can't go ..... than this / or I don't want to go any .....

### Answers to Exercise 1

- (i) farther
- (ii) farther
- (iii) further
- (iv) further
- (v) further
- (vi) further
- (vii) further
- (viii) farther
- (ix) further
- (x) farther, further