

# Adding *-er*, *-ier*, or *More*

The Albertosaurus  
Mystery  
Grammar:

- Add *-er* to most **adjectives** that have one syllable.
- For adjectives that have two syllables and end in *-y*, such as *happy*, replace the *y* with *i* and then add *-er*.
- Add *more* before adjectives that have two or more syllables.

The pottery is larger than the arrowheads.

The arrowheads were shinier than the pottery.

The Native American exhibit is more modern than the dinosaur exhibit.

**Thinking Questions**  
Does the adjective have more than one syllable? Does it end in *-y*?

Choose the correct form of the adjective in parentheses. Write it on the line.

1. The (younger, more young) of the two students found an arrowhead made of stone. \_\_\_\_\_
2. The arrowhead was in a location (deeper, more deep) than the clay pot. \_\_\_\_\_
3. One of the bones was (tinier, more tiny) than the arrowhead. \_\_\_\_\_
4. It was (difficulter, more difficult) to unearth the arrowheads than the bones. \_\_\_\_\_
5. The circle of stones was (interestinger, more interesting) than the bones they found. \_\_\_\_\_