

Unit 4: Comparatives and superlatives

Vocabulary Geographical features

beach city desert forest island lake
mountain river sea town volcano waterfall

Look at the pictures and complete words 1-6.



5  2.22 Read the Geography Quiz and circle the correct answer. Then listen and check.



Geography QUIZ

- 1 The Nile is a *desert* / a *river* in Africa.
- 2 Mount Everest is a *mountain* / an *island* between China and Nepal.
- 3 Niagara Falls is a *waterfall* / a *forest* between Canada and the USA.
- 4 The Sahara is a *lake* / a *desert* in Africa.
- 5 Mount Vesuvius is a *volcano* / a *beach* in Italy.
- 6 Madagascar is an *island* / a *mountain* in Africa.

Match words a-f to definitions 1-6.

- 1 b There are a lot of trees.
- 2 There aren't any plants because it's too hot.
- 3 This is a mountain but it hasn't got a top.
- 4 People live in this big place.
- 5 People live in this small place.
- 6 There is sand next to the sea.

a desert c town e beach
b forest d volcano f city



Grammar Comparative adjectives

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Adjective	Comparative	Adjective	Comparative
Short adjectives		Long adjectives	
cold	colder	exciting	more exciting
nice	nicer	Irregular adjectives	
big	bigger	good	better
easy	easier	bad	worse

The Monster is *bigger* and *faster* than the Dragon.



That wall is **lower**.
Kayaking is **more exciting** than cycling.

Vocabulary Adjectives (1)

boring cheap dangerous difficult easy
exciting expensive high low safe

1 *boring* - *exciting*

7 Complete the sentences with the comparative form of the adjective.

- Amy's hair is *longer* (long) than Elena's hair.
- Elena wants to climb the _____ (low) wall.
- Walking is _____ (safe) than kayaking.
- Cycling is _____ (easy) than climbing.
- The higher wall is _____ (exciting) than the lower wall.
- Elena is _____ (good) at climbing than Tom.

8 2.28 Complete the sentences with the comparative form of the adjectives in the box and *than*. Then listen and check.

dangerous difficult hot high slow
expensive

- Bikes are *slower than* cars.
- Summer is _____ winter.
- Japanese is _____ English.
- Tigers are _____ lions.
- Mount Everest is _____ Kilimanjaro.
- A Ferrari is _____ a Fiat.

Write the opposites. Use the words in brackets.

1 Olga is taller than Mark. (short)

Mark is shorter than Olga.

2 Maths is more boring than Science. (interesting)

3 My dog is smaller than your cat. (big)

4 The English test is easier than the French test. (difficult)

5 Skateboarding is more dangerous than running. (safe)



fast



slow

Grammar Superlative adjectives

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
Short adjectives		
tall	taller	the tallest
strong	stronger	the strongest
big	bigger	the biggest
funny	funnier	the funniest
Long adjectives		
dangerous	more dangerous	the most dangerous
Irregular adjectives		
good	better	the best
bad	worse	the worst

He's **the funniest**.

They're **the most** dangerous animals in the world.

Vocabulary Adjectives (2)

beautiful fast friendly funny intelligent
kind strong

1 beautiful 2 _____ 3 _____

4 _____ 5 _____ 6 _____

7 _____

6 Exam Spot Read and circle the correct answer a, b or c.

London Zoo

Hi, I'm Kate and I'm a zookeeper at London Zoo. London Zoo is very famous. It's ¹ ___ oldest zoo in the UK! Other zoos are ² ___ than London Zoo, but London Zoo is the ³ ___ interesting! I look after penguins. The penguins are ⁴ ___ animals at the zoo. In the wild they live in Antarctica but also in some ⁵ ___ places like islands or deserts. ⁶ ___ most famous animal at the zoo is a python. It is in a Harry Potter film!



- 1 a a **(b) the** c an
 2 a big b biggest c bigger
 3 a most b more c much
 4 a cuter b cutest c the cutest
 5 a warmest b warmer c the warmest
 6 a The b A c An

2 Look at the pictures. Complete the sentences with the superlative form of the adjectives in the box.



small funny tall

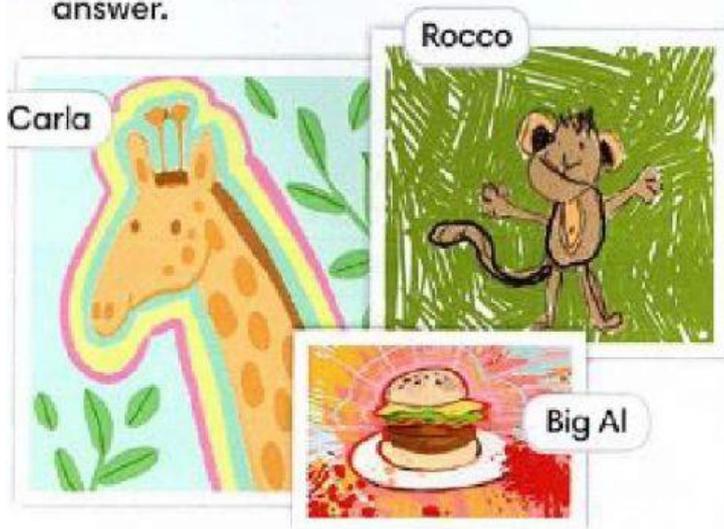
- 1 The giraffe is the tallest.
 2 The hippo is _____.
 3 The elephant is _____.



friendly dangerous
intelligent

- 4 The lion _____
 5 The dog _____
 6 The monkey _____.

3 Look at the pictures and circle the correct answer.



- 1 Rocco's painting is bigger than / the biggest Big Al's painting, but Carla's painting is bigger / the biggest of all.
- 2 Big Al's picture and Carla's picture are better than / the best Rocco's picture. His painting isn't good! I think it is worse than / the worst.
- 3 I think Big Al is funnier than / the funniest artist of all. His picture is more interesting / the most interesting than Carla's picture.

5 Write sentences about animals. Use the words below and your own ideas.

1 nicer than

Giraffes are nicer than monkeys.

2 smaller than

3 more intelligent than

4 the funniest

5 the most beautiful
