

Grammar comparatives and superlatives

- 4 Look at the article again. Underline the examples of comparative and superlative forms.

► SPELL CHECK comparatives and superlatives

- Add -er or -est to short adjectives: young – younger – youngest
- When the adjectives end in -e, add -r or -st: large – larger – largest
- Change adjectives ending in -y (after a consonant) to -i and add -er or -est: happy – happier – happiest
- Double the final consonant of adjectives ending with a consonant + vowel + consonant: hot – hotter – hottest
- Don't double the final consonant for adjectives ending in vowel + -w or -y: slow – slower – slowest

- 5 Look at the spell check box. Then write the comparative and superlative forms of these adjectives.

1 cheap	<u>cheaper</u>	<u>cheapest</u>
2 angry	_____	_____
3 large	_____	_____
4 big	_____	_____
5 safe	_____	_____
6 funny	_____	_____
7 thin	_____	_____
8 low	_____	_____
9 easy	_____	_____
10 green	_____	_____

- 6 Write sentences that give your opinion. Use a comparative form of the adjectives in parentheses.

- traveling by bus / traveling by car (relaxing)
I think traveling by bus is more relaxing than traveling by car.
- cake / bread (sweet)
I think _____
- email / letters (fast)
I think _____
- trains / airplanes (bad for the environment)
I think _____

- 7 Complete the text about transportation world records with the superlative forms of these adjectives.

dangerous fast long small tall

WORLD RECORDS TRANSPORTATION

- Gregory Dunham built the world's ¹ _____ rideable motorbike. It's 3.429 meters high.
- The ² _____ jet aircraft in the world is only 3.7 meters long and 5.7 meters wide (including wings).
- Marek Turowski drove the world's ³ _____ motorized sofa! The piece of furniture traveled at a speed of 148 kilometers per hour.
- Emil and Liliana Schmid took the ⁴ _____ journey ever. They drove 641,115 kilometers—and they are still driving!
- Billy Baxter broke the record for the fastest speed on a motorbike without seeing. He wore a blindfold over his eyes and reached 265.33 kilometers per hour. So it was probably one of the ⁵ _____ journeys ever as well.

