

Adjectives – the Comparative and the Superlative

Adjective form	The COMPARATIVE	The SUPERLATIVE
Only one syllable, ending in E <i>wide, fine, cute</i>	Add er <i>wider, finer, cuter</i>	Add est <i>widest, finest, cutest</i>
Only one syllable, CVC <i>hot, big, fat</i>	er last consonant, add <i>hotter, bigger, fatter</i>	est last consonant, add <i>hottest, biggest, fattest</i>
Two syllables, ending in Y <i>happy, silly, lonely</i>	Change y to ie add -er <i>happier, sillier, lonelier</i>	Change y to ie add -est <i>happiest, silliest, loneliest</i>
Two syllables or more <i>modern, interesting, beautiful</i>	Add more before the adjective <i>more modern, more interesting, more beautiful</i>	Add most before the adjective <i>most modern, most interesting, most beautiful</i>

The Rebel Adjectives – they do not obey the general rule

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Good	better	best
Bad/ill	worse	worst
Far	farther far	farthest (measurable distance) furthest (more)
Less	less	least
Old	older old	oldest (general age) elder (in the family)
Much/many	more	most

The Perfect Adjectives – they do not work in any degree

Can you guess the most common?

P_RF_CT

G_E_T

SU_ER_

E_CE_ENT

EX_EP_IO_AL

F_BUL_US

IN_ACT

S_PE_IOR

CO_PLE_E

CO_RE_T

EX_CT

I_EAL

FLA_LE_S

