

Comparative Adjectives and Superlative Adjectives

Comparative Adjectives:

Comparative adjectives compare two nouns. We usually add '-er' to the adjective. For adjectives that we cannot add '-er', we add the word 'more' without changing the spelling.

Examples:

*The waves are **higher than** yesterday.*

*This year, many of the flood victims are **more prepared** to face the disaster than last year.*

Superlative Adjectives:

Superlative adjectives compare more than two nouns. We usually add 'the - est' to the adjective. For words that we cannot change, we add 'the most' to the adjective.

Examples:

*The hurricane which hit the city is **the strongest** ever recorded.*

*The eruption of Mount Pinatubo was **the most destructive** in the 20th century.*

Example:

Positive	Comparative	Superlative
old	older	oldest
thick	thicker	thickest
famous	more famous	most famous
hardworking	more hardworking	most hardworking

Some comparatives and superlatives are changed completely from their adjectives.

Positive	Comparative	Superlative
good	better	best
bad	worse	worst
a few/ a little	less	least
many/ much	more	most

Let's try some exercises!

1. The earthquake resulted in the _____ (deadly) disaster of all time.
2. Encik Hamid told himself to run _____ (fast) than the rest of the people to get to safety.
3. Yesterday, the rain was the _____ (heavy) recorded all week.

Answer the following questions: Comparative Adjectives

1. Apples are healthier than chips. (healthy)
2. Elephants are _____ (big) than bears.
3. Gold is _____ than silver. (expensive)
4. Bikes are _____ than cars. (slow)
5. I am _____ at English than my brother. (good)
6. My friend is _____ than me. (tall)
7. Sandy is _____ than Tamara. (thin)
8. My father is _____ than Tom's father. (strong)
9. "Harry Potter" books are _____ than "The Book of the Jungle". (interesting)
10. The tiger is _____ than a fox. (heavy)
11. The weather is _____ than yesterday. (hot)
12. The girls are _____ than the boys. (happy)
13. Berta is _____ than Debby. (beautiful)
14. French is _____ than English. (difficult)
15. Tina is 5 years old. Sandra is 10 years old. Sandra is _____ than Tina. (old)
16. Russia is _____ than France. (large)
17. I am _____ at maths than my best friend. (bad)
18. Love is _____ than money. (important)
19. His car is _____ than mine. (cheap)
20. The first movie is _____ than the second. I don't recommend it. (boring)

Answer the following questions: Superlative Adjectives

- Complete these sixteen sentences to score your knowledge of **SUPERLATIVE** grammar.

1. Russia is ... country in the world.
 - a) big
 - b) the biggest
 - c) the bigest
2. David ... person in our English class.
 - a) is the tallest
 - b) the most tall
 - c) the tallest
3. I think that shopping mall ... mall in our city.
 - a) best
 - b) the best
 - c) is the best
4. That restaurant ... restaurant in our town.
 - a) is the worst
 - b) is bad
 - c) worst
5. Noel and David ... people that I know.
 - a) is the most interesting
 - b) is interested
 - c) are the most interesting
6. In my opinion, that ... comedy show on television.
 - a) is the funniest
 - b) the funny
 - c) the funnier
7. Yesterday was ... day this summer.
 - a) the hotest
 - b) the hottest
 - c) the hot day
8. That ... road in the entire country!
 - a) most danger
 - b) is the most dangerous
 - c) most dangerous
9. Elephants ... land animals in the world.
 - a) are heaviest
 - b) are the heaviest
 - c) are the heaviest
10. We never watch that TV program. It's ... program on TV!
 - a) more boring
 - b) the most boring
 - c) the boringest
11. Yuck! That was ... cake I ever ate in my life!
 - a) the worst
 - b) worse
 - c) bad
12. I saw ... paintings in the world at that museum.
 - a) the most beautiful
 - b) the beautiful
 - c) more beautiful than
13. My home is located ... our school.
 - a) the furthest from
 - b) far
 - c) further
14. His grandfather is ... in his family.
 - a) older than
 - b) the most old
 - c) the oldest
15. I had ... time of my life when we went to Disneyland last year!
 - a) the goodest
 - b) best
 - c) the best
16. Question number 15 was ... question on the test.
 - a) the easiest
 - b) the easiest
 - c) the most easy