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COMPARATIVE: A dog is **faster** than an elephant.
A comparative compares two things.

SUPERLATIVE: The horse is **the fastest** of the three animals.
A superlative compares one thing to all the others in the same group.

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ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE	SUPERLATIVE
ONE Syllable Ending in -E	nice nicer nicer	-ER faster faster
COMPARATIVE	Harry is nicer than Frank.	-ST the most the most
SUPERLATIVE	Dean is the nicest . Which is the strangest ?	

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ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE	SUPERLATIVE
ONE Syllable Consonant + Short Vowel + Consonant	big bigger bigger	-ER the biggest the hottest
COMPARATIVE	Sunday Monday Tuesday Monday was happier than Sunday.	
SUPERLATIVE	Tuesday was the hottest day.	

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ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE	SUPERLATIVE
Common Exceptions	good bad	better worse
COMPARATIVE	You are a better singer than John. more good gooder	the best the worst
SUPERLATIVE	It was the worst decision she had ever made. most bad baddest	

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The dog is **faster** than the elephant.
The horse is **the fastest**.
The elephant is **bigger** than the dog.
The elephant is **the heaviest**.
The dog is **more energetic** than the elephant.



	ADJECTIVE	COMPARATIVE	SUPERLATIVE
ONE syllable	fast young	-ER faster younger	-EST the fastest the youngest
ONE syllable Ending in -E	nice strange	-R nicer stranger	-ST the nicest the strangest
ONE syllable Consonant + Short Vowel + Consonant	big hot	Double the last consonant and add -ER bigger hotter	-EST the biggest the hottest
TWO syllables Ending in -Y	happy crazy	Remove the -Y and add -IER happier crazier	-IEST the happiest the craziest
TWO or MORE syllables	famous beautiful	MORE + more famous more beautiful	THE MOST + the most famous the most beautiful
Common Exceptions	good bad	better worse	the best the worst

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8 Complete the sentences with the correct form (comparative or superlative) of the adjectives in brackets.

- My phone is _____ (useful) than my MP3 player.
- My parents wanted to buy the _____ (big) TV in the shop, but it was very expensive.
- The _____ (interesting) blog I know is about travelling and unusual places in the world.
- Is a tablet _____ (expensive) than a smartphone?
- I think that the _____ (funny) videos on the internet are ones of cats doing silly things.
- I don't like this phone. It is _____ (small) than my old phone and I keep losing it.
- The _____ (popular) kind of music in our class is heavy rock.
- Our TV is _____ (modern) than my grandparents' TV, but they are happy with theirs.
- My dad has got a very old mobile phone. It's _____ (heavy) than a book!
- What's the _____ (good) mobile phone that I can buy for under £300?