

3**Adjectives – Adverbs – Comparisons****Order of Adverbs**

- **Adverbs of frequency** (often, usually, etc.) go after auxiliary verbs but before main verbs. She is never late. He never comes late.
- When there are more than two adverbs they go in the following order:

	manner	place	time
She sat	lazily	by the pool	all day.

- When there is a verb of movement, then the order is:

place	manner	time
He went	to Moscow	by plane this morning.

6**Underline the correct word, adjective or adverb.**

1 The children played quiet / <u>quietly</u> .	5 Have you seen Rebecca recent / <u>recently</u> ?
2 It was raining heavy / <u>heavily</u> yesterday.	6 He's a slow / <u>slowly</u> runner.
3 She gave it a careful / <u>carefully</u> look.	7 She sings good / <u>well</u> .
4 She speaks perfect / <u>perfectly</u> German.	8 She bought a nice / <u>nicely</u> dress.

7**Use the correct adjectives and adverbs to complete the exchanges.****delicious****fancy****interesting**

A: What did you do last night, Ben?

B: Nothing special. I just watched an 1) ...interesting... documentary on TV. What about you?

A: I met a friend from school and we went to a 2) restaurant. The food was really 3)

hard**last****well**

A: How did you do in the race yesterday?

B: Not very 4) Although I tried 5), I came in 6)

A: Cheer up. What matters is that you did your best.

confusing**really****hard**

A: Did you finish your Maths homework, Camila?

B: Yes, Dad but it was 7) difficult. I had a 8) time understanding all the formulas.

A: I know. Some of them can be 9) Anyway, next time you have problems, just ask.

8 Rewrite the sentences in the correct order.

- he / went / in the morning / to school / by bicycle *He went to school by bicycle in the morning.*
- at breakfast / I / drink milk / always
- goes to work / by bus / never / Diego
- at school / yesterday / hard / I worked
- his books / often / forgets / Tom
- home / last night / they went / on foot
- for an hour / in the queue / patiently / he waited
- he goes / often / abroad / on business



Listen and repeat. Then act out.

What is **redder** than a tomato,
louder than a roaring lion and blows
off more steam than a kettle?

I haven't the
slightest idea.

Frank! Clean
up your room!!!

Easy, my
mum.



Comparisons

Adjectives of:	Positive	Comparative	Superlative
one syllable	tall	taller (than)	the tallest (of/in)
two syllables ending in -er, -ly, -y, -w	happy friendly	happier (than) friendlier (than)	the happiest (of/in) the friendliest (of/in)
two or more syllables	modern beautiful	more modern (than) more beautiful (than)	the most modern (of/in) the most beautiful (of/in)

Spelling

Adjectives ending in:

-e → **-r** / **-st**

-y → **-ier** / **-iest**

one stressed vowel between two
consonants – double the consonant

large – larger – largest

heavy – heavier – heaviest

big – bigger – biggest

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Complete the table.

Adjectives	Comparative	Superlative
small	smaller	the smallest
loud	better	
intelligent	higher	
big		
	more helpful	
		the fastest

Now complete the sentences with adjectives from the table.

- I can't reach the vase. Why did Dad put it on *the highest* shelf?
- This is essay I've ever written.
- Steve's voice is than Tim's.
- Judy is than Ben. After all she's a straight-A student.
- Asia is than Africa.
- The cheetah is animal in the world.

Comparisons of Adverbs

	Positive	Comparative	Superlative
adverbs with the same form as adjectives	fast	faster	the fastest
two syllable adverbs ending in -er	early	earlier	the earliest
two-syllable or compound adverbs	often clearly	more often more clearly	the most often the most clearly

Irregular Comparatives and Superlatives

Positive	Comparative	Superlative
good / well	better	best
bad / badly	worse	worst
much	more	most
many / a lot of	more	most
little	less	least
far	further / farther	furthest / farthest

a) **further / farther (adv)** = longer (in distance)

His house is **further / farther** away from the bus stop than mine.

further (adj) = **more**

For **further** information, see the secretary.

b) **very + positive degree**

much + comparative degree

It's **very cold** today.

It's **much colder** today than yesterday.

10 Use the adverbs in the list in the correct form to complete the sentences.
Add any necessary words.

fast
well

formally
wonderfully

early
carefully

- 1 This is *the most wonderfully* written book I've ever read.
- 2 David cooks his wife.
- 3 Sam drives all my friends. He always pays attention to the road signs.
- 4 Susan is dressed Joanna.
- 5 Chloe arrived the other students.
- 6 Klaus ran and won the race.

11 Write comparatives or superlatives and then answer the questions. Check your answers.

Quiz

- 1 Which is *the hottest* (hot) planet in the solar system?
a) Venus b) Jupiter
- 2 Is the Sahara Desert (small) than the Kalahari Desert?
a) yes b) no
- 3 Can an eagle see (good) than a human?
a) yes b) no
- 4 Which is (long) wall in the world?
a) the Wall of Dubrovnik
b) the Great Wall of China
- 5 Is Mount Everest (high) than Mount Kilimanjaro?
a) yes b) no

2b 3a 4b 5a 6b 7a 8a

- 6 Which is (tall) building in the world?
a) Taipei 101 Tower b) Burj Dubai Tower
- 7 Does the blue whale make a (loud) sound than the dolphin?
a) yes b) no
- 8 Which animal runs (fast) than the leopard?
a) the cheetah
b) the lion

