

## Comparatives and superlatives

### Comparative and superlative adjectives

Depending on their length, we form the comparative and superlative of adjectives in two ways:

- ▶ by adding the endings *-er* and *-est*.  
*cheap cheaper the cheapest* (monosyllabic)  
*thin thinner the thinnest* (monosyllabic ending with one vowel + one consonant)  
*easy easier the easiest* (two syllables ending in *-y*)
- ▶ by adding *more* and *the most* before the adjective (polysyllabic).  
*dangerous more dangerous the most dangerous*

Irregular forms:

<i>good</i>	<i>better</i>	<i>the best</i>
<i>bad</i>	<i>worse</i>	<i>the worst</i>
<i>many/much</i>	<i>more</i>	<i>the most</i>
<i>little</i>	<i>less</i>	<i>the least</i>
<i>far</i>	<i>further</i>	<i>the furthest</i>

### 1 Complete the sentences (1–10) with the adjectives in brackets in the correct forms.

- 1 This is \_\_\_\_\_ (**big**) of all the stadiums in our country.
- 2 She is \_\_\_\_\_ (**good**) than the other players because she's so fast.
- 3 That was \_\_\_\_\_ (**bad**) match of the season.
- 4 Tina got a \_\_\_\_\_ (**high**) score than I did.
- 5 Sam runs \_\_\_\_\_ (**quickly**) than Joe.
- 6 The more I practise, \_\_\_\_\_ (**accurate**) I get.
- 7 There isn't a \_\_\_\_\_ (**fast**) runner than Tim. He has broken all the records.
- 8 She bats \_\_\_\_\_ (**good**) than she throws.
- 9 This is \_\_\_\_\_ (**exciting**) game I've ever seen.
- 10 Peter is \_\_\_\_\_ (**fit**) than John, but he isn't as fast.