

The comparative and superlative

Comparative:

We use the comparative form of an adjective to compare two people or things.

Superlative:

We use the superlative to compare more than two people or things.

One syllable adjectives:

#	Short adjectives	Comparative Adjective + -er +than	Superlative Add the+ adjective + -est	notes
1-	young	younger than	the youngest	
2-	nice	nicer than	the nicest	
3-	kind	kinder than	the kindest	
4-	small	smaller than	the smallest	
5-	strong	stronger than	the strongest	
6-	thick	thicker than	the thickest	
7-	new	newer than	the newest	
8-	hot	hotter than	the hottest	If an adjective ends in a short vowel followed by a single consonant, we <u>double</u> the final consonant.
9-	big	bigger than	the biggest	
10-	fat	fatter than	the fattest	
11-	thin	thinner than	the thinnest	

Two syllables adjectives that end in a consonant and -y, we change -y to -i and add -er or -est:

#	adjective	Comparative	Superlative
1-	happy	happier than	the happiest
2-	heavy	heavier than	the heaviest
3-	Pretty	prettier than	the prettiest
4-	silly	sillier than	the silliest

two or more syllables:

#	long adjectives	Comparative More/less + adjective +than	Superlative The +most/least+ adjective
1-	beautiful	more/less beautiful than	the most/least beautiful
2-	tired	more/less tired than	the most/least tired
3-	powerful	more/less powerful than	the most/least powerful
4-	colourful	more/less colourful than	the most/least colourful
5-	useful	more/less useful than	the most/least useful
6-	special	more/less special than	the most/least special
7-	absent-minded	more/less absent-minded than	the most/least absent-minded
8-	loyal	more/less loyal than	the most/least loyal
9-	pleasant	more/less pleasant than	the most/least pleasant

irregular comparatives and superlatives

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#	Irregular adjective	Comparative	Superlative	notes
1-	good	better than	the best	You should memorize their spelling.
2-	bad	worse than	the worst	
3-	many /much	more than	the most	
4-	little	less than	the least	
5-	Well-known	better-known than	the best-known	

***Exercise: Choose the correct answer:**

- 1- Lila is Asma.
- 2- Ali is Rami.
- 3- Sami is student in the class.
- 4- Kareem is Ali in playing tennis.
- 5- Sharks are in the ocean.
- 6- Ali is Sami.
- 7- Fadia is in the family.
- 8- The weather in Saudi Arabia is in Jordan.
- 9- Muna is Rama after the race.
- 10- This is pie I've ever had!
- 11- He drank amount of milk of anyone there.

Good luck

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