

- 1 Read the grammar box and complete the examples with these words.

best bigger cheapest easiest more interesting
slimmest smaller worse

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making comparisons

A comparatives

- Add -er for most short adjectives:
taller, ¹
- Double the final consonant for some short adjectives: hotter, ²
- Change the final -y to -i: happier, crazier.
- Use *more/less* before long adjectives:
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- irregular comparatives: better, ⁴

B superlatives

- Add -est for most short adjectives:
the ⁵
- Double the final consonant for some short adjectives: the biggest, the ⁶
- Change the final -y to -i: the friendliest, the ⁷
- Use *most/least* before long adjectives:
the most popular.
- irregular superlatives: the ⁸ the worst

GRAMMAR

COMPARATIVES AND SUPERLATIVES

C (not) as ... as, too/enough

- Use *as ... as* to say two things or people are the same in some way. The negative is *not as ... as*.
Are you **as confident** as your friends?
- Use *too* + adjective to mean 'more/less than necessary'.
Are high street clothes **too expensive**?
- Use adjective + *enough* to mean 'the right amount'.
He wants all teens to be **confident enough** to enjoy clothes.
- Use *not* + adjective + *enough* to mean 'not the right amount'.
Most of us aren't **adventurous enough** to have blue hair.