

## 3<sup>rd</sup> GRAMMAR UNIT 5

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We use *the* + superlative adjectives to say which is the biggest, the smallest, etc in a group.

Adjective	<i>the</i> + superlative adjective	
cheap	<b>the</b> cheapest	We add <b>est</b> to adjectives that have one syllable.
big	<b>the</b> biggest	We add <b>one more consonant + est</b> when adjectives end in a vowel + a consonant.
friendly	<b>the</b> friendliest	We change the <b>y</b> to <b>i</b> and <b>i + est</b> when the adjective ends in consonant + <b>y</b> .
expensive	<b>the most</b> expensive	We add <b>the most + the adjective</b> when the adjective has two or more syllables.

- We also add the + -est to ones with two syllables if they end in **-er**, **-ly**, **-y**.  
– (CLEVER) The cleverest, (FRIENDLY) The friendliest.  
(TASTY) The tastiest.  
Note that the “y” becomes “i”.