## COMPARATIVES & SUPERLATIVES

Mercury is a <u>small</u> planet and it is very <u>close</u> to the Sun. Mercury is <u>smaller</u> and <u>closer</u> to the Sun <u>than</u> Earth.

Mercury is the smallest planet in the Solar System and the closest to the Sun.

Venus is a very <u>hot</u>, the temperature there is over 400°C. Venus is <u>hotter than</u> Earth. Venus is <u>the hottest</u> planet of our Solar System.

Earth is our planet and it is very <u>beautiful.</u> Earth is <u>more beautiful than a</u>ny other planet. Earth is <u>the most beautiful</u> planet in the Solar System.

Mars has <u>high</u> mountains and volvanoes and <u>deep</u> valleys. Mars has <u>higher</u> mountains and <u>deeper</u> valleys <u>than</u> Earth. Mars has <u>the highest</u> mountain and <u>the deepest</u> valley in the Solar System.

Jupiter is a very <u>large</u> planet. Jupiter is <u>larger than</u> Earth. Jupiter is <u>the largest</u> planet in the Solar System.

Saturn is a very <u>light</u> planet. Saturn is <u>lighter than</u> Earth. Saturn is <u>the lightest</u> planet of our Solar System.

Uranus is a very <u>cold</u> planet. Uranus is <u>colder than</u> Earth. Uranus is <u>the coldest</u> planet in our Zolar Zystem.

Neptune is very <u>far</u> from the Sun. Neptune is <u>farther/further</u> from the Sun <u>than</u> Earth. Neptune is the <u>farthest/furthest</u> planet from the Sun.

## Complete the table with the underlined words from the first page:

1.	2.	3.
small	small <u>er</u> than	the small <u>est</u>
	more beautiful than	

Words in column 1 are called adjectives they describe things.

We use the <u>comparative</u> form (column 2) to compare two things (or two groups of things):

• short adjectives: we add "-er" at the end.

• long adjectives: we use "more" before the adjective.

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Remember: We use "THAN" after the comparative!

We use the <u>superlative</u> form (column 3) to say that a thing has a superior quality compared to others.

• short adjectives: we add "-er" at the end.

• long adjectives: we use "more" before the adjective.

Remember: We use "THE" before the superlative!

**Exceptions:** some adjectives have irregular forms:

• far farther/further (than) the farthest/furthest

good better (than) the bestbad worse (than) the worst

parethensis: • Earth is \_\_\_\_\_\_ (far) from the Sun than Venus. • Saturn has the \_\_\_\_\_\_(beautiful) rings. Uranus is \_\_\_\_\_ (close) to Jupiter than Neptune. Venus is the \_\_\_\_\_\_than Venus. • Mount Everest is the \_\_\_\_\_(high) mountain in Earth. • Olympus Mons on Mars is \_\_\_\_\_ (higher) than Mount Everest. • Saturn is \_\_\_\_\_(light) than Jupiter. • Mars is \_\_\_\_\_\_(big) than Mercury, but \_\_\_\_\_(small) than Earth. • Earth is \_\_\_\_\_(colourful) than Uranus. Write your own sentences. You can use other adjectives like cold, big, windy, small, close, far, hot, beautiful, light, large... You can use a dictionary if you don't know a word.

Complete the sentences with the correct form of the adjectives in

Now let's practice!