

Adjectives – the Comparative and the Superlative

Adjective form	The COMPARATIVE	The SUPERLATIVE
Only one syllable, ending in E <i>wide, fine, cute</i>	Add <i>wider, finer, cuter</i>	Add <i>widest, finest, cutest</i>
Only one syllable, CVC <i>hot, big, fat</i>	last consonant, add -er <i>hotter, bigger, fatter</i>	last consonant, add -est <i>hottest, biggest, fattest</i>
Two syllables, ending in Y <i>happy, silly, lonely</i>	Change y to add -er <i>happier, sillier, lonelier</i>	Change y to add -est <i>happiest, silliest, loneliest</i>
Two syllables or more <i>modern, interesting, beautiful</i>	Add before the adjective <i>more modern, more interesting, more beautiful</i>	Add before the adjective <i>most modern, most interesting, most beautiful</i>

The Rebel Adjectives – they do not obey the general rule

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Good		Best
Bad/ill	Worse	
Far	Farther 	(measurable distance) Furthest (more)
	Less	Least
Old	 Elder	Oldest (general age) (in the family)
Much/many		Most

The Perfect Adjectives – they do not work in any degree

Can you guess the most common?

P_RF_CT
G_E_T
SU_ER_
E_CE__ENT
EX_EP_IO_AL
F_BUL_US
IN_ACT
S_PE_IOR
CO_PLE_E
CO_RE_T
EX_CT
I_EAL
FLA_LE_S

