

# SUPERLATIVES

- How do we form superlative statements? Study the **grammar reference chart** below.

- Adjectives with one syllable:** add 'the' + '-est' or '-st'

cold	<i>the coldest</i>	"January is often <b>the coldest</b> winter month."
nice	<i>the nicest</i>	"She is <b>the nicest</b> person I know."

- Adjectives with two or more syllables:** add 'the' + 'most'

boring	<i>the most boring</i>	"It's <b>the most boring</b> movie at the cinema."
expensive	<i>the most expensive</i>	"We ate at <b>the most expensive</b> restaurant in town."

- Adjectives with two syllables that end in '-y':** change '-y' to '-i' and add 'the'

early	<i>the earliest</i>	"He was <b>the earliest</b> person to arrive"
happy	<i>the happiest</i>	"It was <b>the happiest</b> time of my life."

- Adjectives that end with a vowel and a consonant:** double the final letter before adding 'the' + '-est'

big	<i>the biggest</i>	"Russia is <b>the biggest</b> country in the world."
hot	<i>the hottest</i>	"August is usually <b>the hottest</b> summer month."

- Adjectives that are irregular:**

good	<i>the best</i>	"She is <b>the best</b> student in our class."
bad	<i>the worst</i>	"It was <b>the worst</b> storm in many years."
far	<i>the farthest</i> <i>the furthest</i>	"He lives <b>the farthest/furthest</b> from my home."

## Superlatives in Australia

Write the superlative forms of the adjectives into brackets.

1. Australia is (big)..... island in the world. (big)
2. Australia is (small)..... continent on Earth.
3. It is also (flat)..... and one of (sunny).....
4. Sydney is (large)..... and (busy)..... city in the country.
5. Uluru / Ayers Rock is (fascinating) ..... sight.
6. The Great Barrier Reef is (big) ..... attraction in Australia.
7. The Aborigines have (old)..... history on Earth.
8. The didgeridoo is (ancient)..... musical instrument in the world
9. The outback is (dry)..... place in Australia.
10. Australia has (good)..... surfing spots in the world.
11. Sydney has (beautiful)..... coast in the world.
12. The beaches are (nice)..... in the world.
13. Surfing is (popular)..... water sport in Australia.
14. The Opera House is (fantastic) ..... building in Sydney.
15. Sydney has (trendy)..... shops in Australia.
16. I think koalas are (cute) ..... animals in the world.
17. Nicole Kidman is (pretty)..... Australian actress.