

B2 – Making Comparisons

1. Use the words in the box to complete the rules about making comparisons. Then fill in the two tables.

| ONE | AS | SUPERLATIVE |
|-------|-------------|-------------|
| GROUP | COMPARATIVE | TWO |

A. Any **adjective** has three forms: base form - _____ - _____

Most **adverbs** also have these forms.

B. We use the comparative form to talk about how _____ things are different.

e.g.: Jogging is **cheaper than** tennis. Roller-skating is **more enjoyable than** walking.

C. We use the superlative form to talk about how _____ thing is at the top or at the bottom of a _____.

e.g.: Jogging is **the cheapest** leisure time activity. Roller-skating is **the most enjoyable**.

D. To say that two things are the same, we use the structure _____ adjective / adverb **as**.

e.g.: She is **as motivated as** her brother. He drives **as carelessly as** his father.

| What kind of adjective? | Example | Rule _____ = adjective | Comparative | Superlative |
|-------------------------|------------------|--|------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1-syllable | cheap | Add _____ -er for comparative Add the _____ -est for superlative | _____ than | the cheapest |
| 2 or 3 syllables | enjoyable | Add more _____ for comparative Add the most _____ for superlative | more enjoyable than | _____ enjoyable |
| adjective ending in -Y | healthy | Cut the -y. Add _____ -ier for comparative Add the _____ -iest for superlative. | healthier than | the _____ |
| adjective ending in CVC | hot | Double the last consonant before adding _____ -er or the _____ -est . | _____ than | the hottest |
| irregular | good | | better than | the _____ |
| | bad | | _____ than | the worst |
| | little | | _____ than | the least |
| | much | | more than | the _____ |
| | far | | farther / further than | the farthest / the _____ |

| What kind of adverb? | Example | Rule _____ = adverb | Comparative | Superlative |
|----------------------|---------------------------|--|--|---|
| 1-syllable | She drives fast . | Add _____ -er for comparative Add the _____ -est for superlative | She drives _____ than him. | She drives the fastest of all her friends. |
| 2-syllable | He works quickly . | Add more _____ for comparative Add the most _____ for superlative | He works more quickly than his brother. | He works _____ of all. |
| irregular | well | Same forms as the adjectives <i>good</i> and <i>bad</i> . | She plays better than her sister. | She plays _____ in her team. |
| | badly | | She plays worse than her sister. | She plays _____ in her team. |