

Guinness Games

Understanding Superlatives

A **superlative adjective** compares three or more things. It tells us which one is at the top or bottom of a group.

Rules to remember:

- Short words (1 syllable): add **-est** (e.g., *fast* → *fastest*)
- Long words (2+ syllables): use **the most** (e.g., *dangerous* → *the most dangerous*)
- Irregular words: *good* → *the best*, *bad* → *the worst*



Check Your Knowledge: World Records

Before you start inventing your own records, let's see if you can spot the correct superlative forms. Remember the rules for short words, long words, and those tricky irregular ones!

<p>1. Which sentence about the Blue Whale is grammatically correct?</p>	<p>a) It is the more big animal in the ocean. b) It is the biggest animal in the ocean. c) It is the most big animal in the ocean. d) It is the biggest animal in the ocean.</p>
<p>2. Mount Everest is _____ mountain on Earth.</p>	<p>a) the higher b) the most high c) the highest d) the most highest</p>
<p>3. Some people think that skydiving is _____ sport in the world.</p>	<p>a) the dangerousest b) the most dangerous c) the more dangerous d) the most danger</p>
<p>4. Winning an Olympic gold medal is _____ achievement for an athlete.</p>	<p>a) the goodest b) the most good c) the better d) the best</p>
<p>5. Which of these is the correct</p>	<p>a) The happiest</p>

superlative for a 'happy' person?	b) The happiest c) The most happy d) The more happy
6. What is the correct superlative form of the adjective 'bad'?	a) the baddest b) the badder c) the most bad d) the worst
7. Death Valley is often called _____ place on Earth.	a) the hottest b) the hottest c) the most hot d) the hotter
8. The Burj Khalifa in Dubai is _____ building in the world.	a) the taller b) the most tall c) the tallest d) the most tallest

Part 2: Create Your Own Silly Records 🏆

Invent **eight** funny new world records for your class or family. Use the adjective given to create a full superlative sentence.



Example: (noisy) -> *My brother is the noisiest eater in the kitchen.*

Adjective	Your New World Record Sentence
Funny	
Lazy	
Delicious	
Dangerous	
Fast	

Tall	
Strong	
Intelligent	

Part 3: Classmate Awards 🎓

Think about your friends in class. Who wins these awards? Write their name and the full sentence.

1. The Early Bird Award (Who arrives the earliest?)

2. The Giggle Award (Who has the happiest laugh?)

3. The Einstein Award (Who is the most intelligent at maths?)

4. The Picasso Award (Who is the most creative artist?)

5. The Bolt Award (Who is the fastest runner?)

6. The Sunshine Award (Who is the friendliest person?)

7. The Bookworm Award (Who reads the longest books?)

8. The Helping Hand Award (Who is the kindest student?)

Amazing World Records: Fill in the Blanks! 🏆

Read the following text about some of the most incredible achievements and natural wonders on our planet. Use the superlatives from the word bank to complete the sentences correctly. Pay attention to the length of the adjectives and those tricky irregular forms!

Word bank: longest, the best, most expensive, heaviest, fastest, deepest, smallest, tallest, driest, oldest

Our world is full of incredible things. Did you know that the blue whale is the _____ animal to ever live? It is even bigger than the biggest dinosaur! If you want to travel quickly,

you could try to ride in the _____ car, which can reach speeds of over 400 km/h. In nature, the Coast Redwood is the _____ tree, reaching over 115 metres high!

Some records are about luxury; for example, the _____ yacht in the world costs billions of pounds! Under the water, the _____ part of the ocean is the Mariana Trench, which is over 10,000 metres down. Not everything has to be big, though; the world's _____ dog was a tiny Chihuahua that was only 9.6 cm tall! In the desert, the Atacama is known as the _____ place on Earth because it hardly ever rains.

For many fans of history, visiting the Guinness World Records Museum is _____ day out because they can see all these wonders in one place. Did you know that the _____ person ever recorded lived to be 122 years old? Finally, the _____ fingernails ever grown on a single hand were over 8 metres long in total!

Final Challenge: Quick Questions

To finish our lesson on world records, answer these quick questions. Use full sentences and remember to apply the correct superlative rules we've learned! Think about real-world facts or your own creative ideas.

1. If you could travel anywhere, where is the most exciting place on Earth to visit? Why?

2. What is the most difficult thing you have ever learned to do? Explain why it was hard.

3. In your opinion, who is the most talented person in the world right now? What is their talent?

Answer Key

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Multiple Choice:

1. It is the biggest animal in the ocean. (Remember to double the 'g' for big -> biggest)
2. the highest
3. the most dangerous (Long adjectives with 3+ syllables use 'the most')
4. the best ('good' is an irregular adjective)
5. The happiest (Words ending in 'y' change to 'i' before adding 'est')
6. the worst ('bad' is an irregular adjective like 'good')
7. the hottest (Remember to double the 't' for hot -> hottest)
8. the tallest

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Answer:

Answers will vary based on students.

Amazing World Records: Fill in the Blanks! 🏆

Cloze:

Our world is full of incredible things. Did you know that the blue whale is the **heaviest** animal to ever live? It is even bigger than the biggest dinosaur! If you want to travel quickly, you could try to ride in the **fastest** car, which can reach speeds of over 400 km/h. In nature, the Coast Redwood is the **tallest** tree, reaching over 115 metres high!

Some records are about luxury; for example, the **most expensive** yacht in the world costs billions of pounds! Under the water, the **deepest** part of the ocean is the Mariana Trench, which is over 10,000 metres down. Not everything has to be big, though; the world's **smallest** dog was a tiny Chihuahua that was only 9.6 cm tall! In the desert, the Atacama is known as the **driest** place on Earth because it hardly ever rains.

For many fans of history, visiting the Guinness World Records Museum is **the best** day out because they can see all these wonders in one place. Did you know that the **oldest** person ever recorded lived to be 122 years old? Finally, the **longest** fingernails ever grown on a single hand were over 8 metres long in total!

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Answer:

Answers will vary. Example: I think the most exciting place to visit is Japan because it has the most modern technology and the most delicious food.

Answer:

Answers will vary. Example: Learning to play the violin was the most difficult thing for me because I had to practice every day and it was the hardest instrument to hold.

Answer:

Answers will vary. Example: I think Lionel Messi is the most talented person in the world because he is the best football player and he scores the most amazing goals.