

Study Sheet (16)

Comparative & Superlative Adjectives

Part 1: What Are They?

- **Comparative Adjectives:** Used to compare **two** things or people.
 - They often end in **-er** or use the word "**more.**"
 - **Formula:** Noun (subject) + verb + **comparative adjective** + **than** + noun (object).
 - *Example: An elephant is **bigger than** a mouse.*
 - *Example: This painting is **more beautiful than** that one.*
- **Superlative Adjectives:** Used to compare **three or more** things or people. They describe the highest or lowest degree.
 - They often end in **-est** or use the word "**most.**"
 - They are almost always preceded by "**the.**"
 - **Formula:** Noun + verb + **the** + **superlative adjective**.
 - *Example: An elephant is **the biggest** land animal.*
 - *Example: This is **the most beautiful** painting in the gallery.*

Part 2: The Rules (with Examples)

Adjective Type	Rule	Comparative	Superlative
One-Syllable	Add -er / -est	tall → taller	tall → the tallest
		fast → faster	fast → the fastest
One-Syllable (ending in -e)	Add -r / -st	large → larger nice → nicer	large → the largest nice → the nicest
One-Syllable (CVC) (Consonant-Vowel-Consonant)	Double the final consonant, then add -er / -est	big → bigger hot → hotter	big → the biggest hot → the hottest
Two Syllables (ending in -y)	Change -y to -i , then add -er / -est	happy → happier busy → busier	happy → the happiest busy → the busiest
Two Syllables (others) & Three+ Syllables	Use more / most	famous → more famous	famous → the most famous

		careful → more careful	careful → the most careful
		beautiful → more beautiful	beautiful → the most beautiful

Part 3: Irregular Adjectives (Must Memorize!)

These do not follow the standard rules.

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
good	better	the best
bad	worse	the worst
far (distance)	farther	the farthest
far (extent)	further	the furthest
little (amount)	less	the least
many/much	more	the most

Worksheet: Practice with Comparatives & Superlatives

Name: _____

Date: _____

A. Choose the Correct Form

Circle the correct comparative or superlative form to complete each sentence.

1. This is the (**more delicious / most delicious**) cake I have ever eaten!
2. My brother is (**taller / more tall**) than me.
3. Which planet is (**closer / the closest**) to the Sun: Venus or Mercury?
4. I think math is (**more difficult / most difficult**) than science.
5. That was (**the worse / the worst**) movie of the year.
6. She is (**happier / more happy**) now than she was last week.
7. We need to find a (**better / the best**) solution to this problem.

B. Fill in the Blanks

Complete the sentences with the correct comparative or superlative form of the adjective in parentheses ().

1. Mount Everest is _____ mountain in the world. (high)
2. A cheetah runs _____ a lion. (fast)
3. This book is _____ the one I read last month. (interesting)
4. For me, waking up early is _____ than going to bed early. (hard)
5. Yesterday was cold, but today is even _____. (cold)
6. Who is _____ person in your family? (old)
7. I have _____ money than you, so I'll pay for the tickets. (much)

C. Create Your Own Sentences

Write one comparative and one superlative sentence for each adjective given.

1. **Adjective: funny**

- Comparative: _____
- Superlative: _____

2. **Adjective: good**

- Comparative: _____
- Superlative: _____

3. **Adjective: busy**

- Comparative: _____
- Superlative: _____