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Superlative Adjectives: Describing the Most and the Best

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#### **Superlative Adjectives: Describing the Most and the Best**

By the end of this lesson, students will be able to:

- 1. Understand what superlative adjectives are.
- 2. Identify superlative adjectives in sentences.
- 3. Form superlative adjectives by adding "-est" or using "most."
- 4. Use superlative adjectives in their own sentences to describe extremes

### A short story Describing Superlative Adjectives

In a sunny village, three friends – Lily, Max, and Ben – loved to explore the fields around them. Lily was the fastest runner, always dashing ahead to see what was around the next corner. Max, the tallest, could see over the tallest bushes, spotting birds and butterflies far in the distance. But Ben, the most curious, was always finding the smallest, most hidden treasures under rocks or in the grass. Together, they had the best adventures, each friend adding something special. Lily was the fastest, Max was the tallest, and Ben was the most curious of them all, making them the perfect team for exploring!

#### **Introduction to Adjectives**

Superlative adjectives describe one thing as the "most" or "least" in a group. For short adjectives, add "-est," and for longer adjectives, use "most. We know that adjectives describe nouns. Superlatives usually refer to the "top" or "most" quality of one thing in a group of three or more. • Last time, we learned about comparative adjectives, which help us compare two things. Today, we'll learn about superlative adjectives, which help us describe something as the 'most' or 'least' in a group. Superlative adjectives help us find the biggest, the smallest, the best, or the worst."

## 2. What Are Superlative Adjectives?

- "This book is the heaviest book in the classroom,"
- "Our school playground is the biggest in town."
- My room is the cleanest room in the house
- "The cheetah is the fastest animal on land."

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Superlative adjectives are used when we talk about one thing in a group that is the most or least in some way."

**Rule for Short Adjectives**: For adjectives with one syllable, we add "-est" to make it superlative:



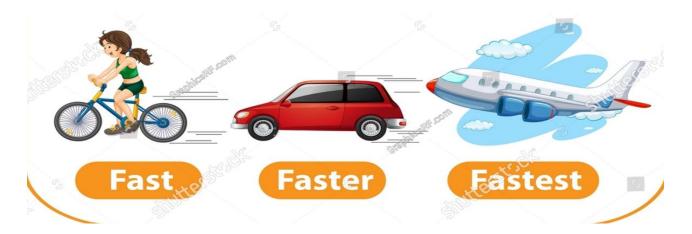
Short Adjectives: Tall  $\rightarrow$  Tallest, Smart  $\rightarrow$  Smartest ,Big  $\rightarrow$  Biggest , Fast  $\rightarrow$  Fastest

• Short Adjectives: Tall  $\rightarrow$  Tallest, Smart  $\rightarrow$  Smartest

**Rule for Longer Adjectives**: If the adjective has two or more syllables, we usually use the word "most" before the adjective to make it superlative.

Long Adjectives: Interesting  $\rightarrow$  Most interesting, Exciting  $\rightarrow$  Most exciting

- Beautiful  $\rightarrow$  Most beautiful
- Comfortable  $\rightarrow$  Most comfortable
- Mount Everest is the tallest mountain in the world."
- That was the funniest movie I have ever seen."
- Sarah is the most talented artist in the class.
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# 5. Exceptions with Superlatives

Some adjectives don't follow the usual rules.

- Common Irregular Superlatives:
  - Good  $\rightarrow$  Best
  - Bad  $\rightarrow$  Worst
  - Far  $\rightarrow$  Farthest

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### **T-Chart for Superlative Adjectives**

Short Adjectives	Long Adjectives
<b>big</b> $\rightarrow$ biggest	beautiful → most beautiful
small $\rightarrow$ smallest	<b>interesting</b> $\rightarrow$ most interesting
fast → fastest	<b>comfortable</b> → most comfortable
tall $\rightarrow$ tallest	<b>expensive</b> $\rightarrow$ most expensive
$old \rightarrow oldest$	<b>exciting</b> $\rightarrow$ most exciting
<b>short</b> $\rightarrow$ shortest	important → most important