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8 Lecture

Comparative and Superlative Forms of Adjectives

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**Comparative and Superlative Forms of Adjectives**

The main use of Adjective is to provide more information about things.

1- large: Manchester is a big city.

2- important: I have some big news!

Forming comparatives and superlatives

Use adjective + -er or more + adjective to make the comparative. Use more or less for longer adjectives.

The hotel is tall.

The hotel is taller than the office buildings.

The subway is convenient.

The subway is more convenient than the bus.

Today is the worst day I've had in a long time.

You play tennis better than I do.

This sweater is less expensive than that one.

**The Superlative**

Use the + adjective + -est or the most + adjective to make the superlative.

(the + adjective + -est or the most + adjective (use most or least for longer adjectives.)

The hotel is the tallest building in the city.

It is also the most modern.

This is the **least** expensive sweater in the store.

The subway is the fastest transport in the city.

It is also the most convenient.

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| Adjectives | Comparative  | superlative |
| happy | happier | happiest |
| ugly |  |  |
| new |  |  |
| hot |  |  |
| fit |  |  |
| thin |  |  |
| rude |  |  |
| good |  |  |
| bad |  |  |
| young |  |  |
| large |  |  |
| cheap |  |  |
| mean |  |  |
| comfortable |  |  |
| patient |  |  |
| Beautiful |  |  |
| generous |  |  |
| dangerous |  |  |
| careful |  |  |

**Opposite adjectives**

Complete the sentences with an opposite adjective in its comparative or superlative form.

1 Robert is the oldest in the family. No, he isn't. He's the( youngest, younger)

2 Bob is more polite than his brother. No, he isn't. He's (ruder, rudest)

3 I'm the tallest in this class! No, you aren't. You're the (shorter, shortest)

4 My homework was worse than yours. No, it wasn't. It was (better, well)

5 The weather today is colder than yesterday. No, it isn't. It's (hotter, hottest)

6 She bought the cheapest watch in the shop. No, she didn't. She bought the (most expensive, more expensive)

7 Jack's meaner than Alan. No, he isn't. He's (more generous, most generous)

8 Janet arrived later than John. No, she didn't. She arrived (earlier, earlier)

9. This is the easiest exercise in this book. No, it isn't. It's the (more difficult, most difficult)