

**In the name of God , the most gracious , the most merciful**

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## **Comparatives and superlatives ( المقارنات و التفضيل )**

**Comparatives and superlatives are special types of adjectives used when comparing two or more things.**

**What is a Comparative?**

**Comparative Adjectives are words used to describe a noun by comparing it to another noun. We usually put 'er' at the end like ( big , bigger & small , smaller).**

**What is a Superlative?**

**Superlative Adjectives are words used to describe a noun when comparing it to two or more nouns to the highest or lowest degree , we usually put 'est' at the end like ( big, bigger, biggest, & small, smaller, smallest ).**

## One Syllable Adjectives\*

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
Tall	Taller	Tallest
Sad	Sadder	Saddest
Hot	Hotter	Hottest

### Examples :-

- I am **faster than** my friend.
- Saja is **bigger than** Suha.
- Sami is **the tallest** student.
- That was **the shortest** movie in the series.

### NOTE :

Most comparatives are followed by ‘than’, and most superlatives follow the word ‘the’.

## Two Syllable Adjectives \*\*

mean adjectives end in **-y , ed , ing , ful , ous , or less.**

Comparative adjectives with two syllables can be formed by making the ‘er’ ending or by adding the words **‘more’** or **‘less’** before the adjective.

For superlative adjectives, you make the ‘est’ ending but use the word ‘most’ or ‘least’

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
Happy	Happier	Happiest
Boring	More\Less Boring	Most\Least Boring
Nervous	More/Less Nervous	Most/Least Nervous
Careful	More\Less Careful	Most\Least Careful
Quiet	Quieter or More/Less Quiet	Quietest or Most/Least Quiet
Interesting	More\Less Interesting	Most/Least Interesting

### Examples :

- She tends to be **less passive** than her brother.
- This quiz is **simpler** than the last one.
- Fall is the **busiest** shopping season.
- This is the **most rapid** method of delivery.

### Irregular Adjectives..

**When using comparative and superlative adjectives, it is important to note that there are a handful of irregular adjectives that don't follow the rules above. The most common irregular adjectives are in the table below.**

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
Good	Better	Best
Bad	Worse	Worst
Little (Amount)	Less	Least
Far (Distance)	Farther	Farthest

Fore	former	foremost
Many or Much	More	Most

### Examples:

- I did **better than** the rest of my class on the final.
- She ran **farther** in this race **than** she did in the last one.
- That was **the best** birthday present ever.
- I bought **the least** expensive souvenir that I could find.

### Note :

**If the adjective already ends with an 'e', only add 'r' for the comparative and 'st' for the superlative.**

- **Nice** becomes **nicer** or **nicest**.
- **Brave** becomes **Braver** or **Bravest**.

If the adjectives end in a consonant and 'y', we change \_y to \_i and add \_er or \_est like :-

- **pretty , prettier , prettiest.**
- **dry , drier , driest.**



*"The bigger the goal,  
the longer the road."*