



## Superlative Form

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1. 1-syllable words
2. 3-syllable words
3. 2-syllable words
4. Irregular adjectives

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old



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old EST



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My grandfather is the oldest.



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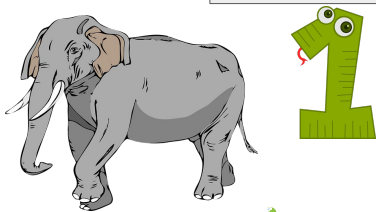
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large



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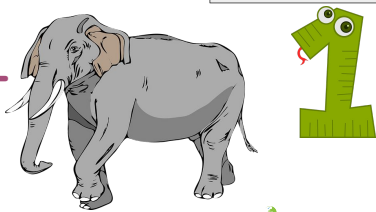
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large EST



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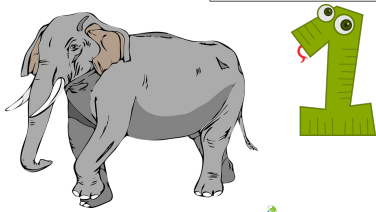
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large ST



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A stylized illustration of a two-story house. The house has a blue gabled roof with a chimney on the left side. The walls are yellow. There are several windows: a large multi-paned window on the second floor with a semi-circular transom, and two smaller windows on the first floor flanking a central red door. The house is surrounded by a green lawn and some small shrubs.



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big







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bigg EST







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My house is **the biggest**  
one on the street.

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### 1. 1-syllable words

- a. Typical rule: EST (old → oldest)
- b. Ends in E: ST (large → largest)
- c. Ends in CVC: double C + EST (big  
→ biggest)

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comfortable



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**MOST**  
comfortable



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This is the most comfortable  
sofa in my house.

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## 2. 3-syllable words

a. Typical rule: most + adjective

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clever



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clever **EST**



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I am **the cleverest**  
student in my class.

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**MOST**  
clever



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I am **the most clever**  
student in my class.



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happy







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happ IEST



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I am the happiest person in  
the world.

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dry



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dr ~~x~~



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tired



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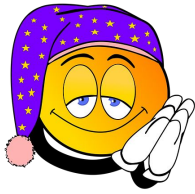
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MOST  
tired



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I am **the most tired**  
in my family.

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ED	tired
FUL	peaceful
ING	boring
LESS	useless
IVE	alive
OUS	nervous

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### 3. 2-syllable words

- a. Typical rule: choose;
  - i. most + adjective
  - ii. + EST
- b. End in Y - eliminate Y + IEST (happy → happiest)
- c. End in ED, FUL, ING, LESS, IVE, OUS - most + adj (tired → most tired)

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good



best

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I am the best at maths.

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bad



worst

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I have had the worst day  
ever!

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far



farthest  
furthest

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Between me and my 4  
siblings, I live the furthest  
from the city.

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many



most

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little

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Rule	Example
1-syllable *Ends in E *Ends in CVC	+ EST + ST + Double C + EST old → oldest large → largest big → biggest
3-syllables	most + adjective comfortable → most comfortable
2-syllables *Ends in Y *Ends in ED/FUL/LESS/ING/IVE/IOUS	either + EST or most + adj eliminate Y + IEST most + adj clever → cleverest/most clever happy → happiest tired → most tired
Irregular adjectives	good → best bad → worst far → furthest/farthest many → most little → least

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