







What is the comparative form?



The comparative form is used to compare two nouns.



What is the superlative form?



The superlative form is used to compare three or more nouns.



## old

Comparative	Superlative



## old

Comparative	Superlative
Older than	The oldest



## large

Comparative	Superlative



## large

Comparative	Superlative
Larger than	The largest



## big

Comparative	Superlative



## big

Comparative	Superlative
Big <u>g</u> er than	The biggest



## comfortable

Comparative	Superlative



### comfortable

Comparative	Superlative
More comfortable than	The most comfortable



## clever

Comparative	Superlative



### clever

Comparative	Superlative
Cleverer than	The cleverest
More clever than	The most clever



## happy

Comparative	Superlative



## happy

Comparative	Superlative
Happier than	The happiest



## tired

Comparative	Superlative



## tired

Comparative	Superlative
More tired than	The most tired



## good

Comparative	Superlative



## good

Comparative	Superlative
Better than	The best



## bad

Comparative	Superlative



## bad

Comparative	Superlative
Worse than	The worst



## far

Comparative	Superlative



## far

Comparative	Superlative
Farther than	The farthest
Further than	The furthest



## many

Comparative	Superlative



## many

Comparative	Superlative
More than	The most



## little

Comparative	Superlative



## little

Comparative	Superlative
Less than	The least



All comparative forms must be followed by "than".

All superlative forms must be preceded by "the".



Word Form	Comparative	Superlative
1-syllable *Ends in E *Ends in CVC	+ ER (old → older) + R (large → larger) + Double C + ER (big → bigger)	+ EST (old → oldest) + ST (large → largest) + Double C + EST (big → biggest)
3-syllables	more + adjective (comfortable → more comfortable)	most + adjective (comfortable → most comfortable)
2-syllables  *Ends in Y *Ends in ED/FUL/ING/LESS/AL/IVE /OUS	either + ER or more + adj (clever → cleverer/more clever) eliminate Y + IER (happy → happier) more + adj (tired → more tired)	either + EST or most + adj (clever → cleverest/most clever) eliminate Y + IEST (happy → happiest) most + adj (tired → most tired)
Irregular adjectives	$good \rightarrow better$ $bad \rightarrow worse$ $far \rightarrow further/farther$ $many \rightarrow more$ $little \rightarrow less$	$good \rightarrow best$ $bad \rightarrow worst$ $far \rightarrow furthest/farthest$ $many \rightarrow most$ $little \rightarrow least$



## We can also use comparative adverbs...

Rule		Example
1-syllable *Ends in E	+ ER + R	Fast → faster late → later
2+syllables	more + adverb	calmly → more calmly horribly → more horribly
Irregular adverbs	well → better badly → worse early → earlier far → farther/further little → less	



## We can also use superlative adverbs...

Rule		Example
1-syllable *Ends in E	+ EST + ST	Fast $\rightarrow$ the fastest late $\rightarrow$ the latest
2+syllables	most + adverb	calmly → most calmly horribly → most horribly
Irregular adverbs	well → best badly → worst early → earliest far → farthest/furthest little → least	



Remember we use the basic comparative and superlative forms with adjectives to describe nouns or after linking verbs.



I am <u>bigger</u> than you

The chair is more comfortable than the sofa

I am the biggest in the class

The chair is the most comfortable seat



### Comparative v Superlative Review

Remember we use the comparative and superlative forms with adverbs to describe verbs.



### Comparative v Superlative Review

I eat more quickly than you

She runs <u>faster</u> than me

I eat the most quickly

She runs the fastest



When two things are equal, we use the following structure;

as adjective as

as adverb as



She is as big as me

The chair is as comfortable as the sofa

I eat as quickly as you

She runs as fast as me



### **Comparative v Superlative**



# Between Sam and Jack, Sam is the tallest



### **Comparative v Superlative**



# Between Sam and Jack, Sam is the tallest

When there are only two nouns, we require the comparative not the superlative.





Between Sam and Jack, Sam is taller





# She is the more happiest person I know





# She is the more happiest person I know

We cannot mix up the forms of the comparative and superlative.





# She is the happiest person I know







### I am worst at maths than Tim





### I am worst at maths than Tim

"Wor<u>st</u>" is the superlative form and "wors<u>e</u>" is the comparative form.





# I am worse at maths than Tim







### Practice 1

Complete the table



Adjective/Adverb	Comparative Form	Superlative Form
fat		
popular		
happy		
dangerous		
large		
hot		
expensive		
good		
tired		
bad		



Adjective/Adverb	Comparative Form	Superlative Form
fat	Fatter than	The fattest
popular	More popular than	The most popular
happy	Happier than	The happiest
dangerous	More dangerous than	The most dangerous
large	Larger than	The largest
hot	Hotter than	The hottest
expensive	More expensive than	The most expensive
good	Better than	The best
tired	More tired than	The most tired
bad	Worse than	The worst



Adjective/Adverb	Comparative Form	Superlative Form
low		
quietly		
badly		
well		
early		
loudly		
calmly		
seriously		



Adjective/Adverb	Comparative Form	Superlative Form
low	Lower than	The lowest
quietly	More quietly than	The most quietly
badly	Worse than	The worst
well	Better than	The best
early	Earlier than	The earliest
Loudly (adv)	More loudly than	The most loudly
Loud (adj)	Louder than	The loudest
Calmly (adv)	More calmly than	The most calmly
serious <u>ly</u>	More seriously than	The most seriously

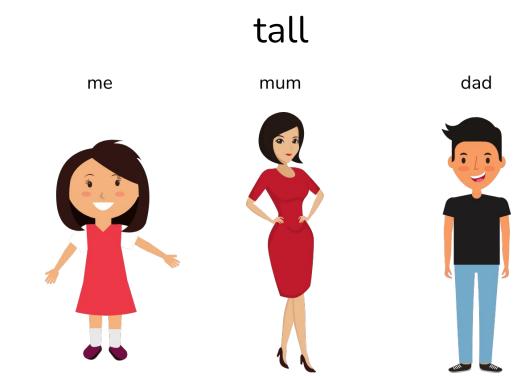




### Practice 2

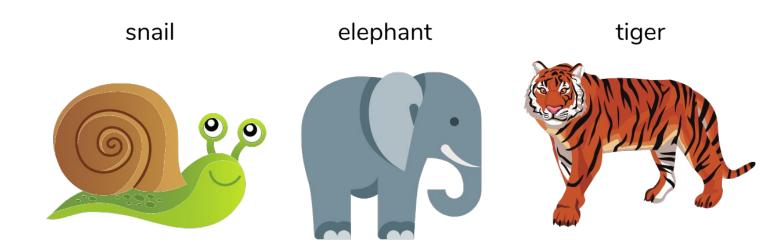
Compare the images using one comparative and one superlative form.





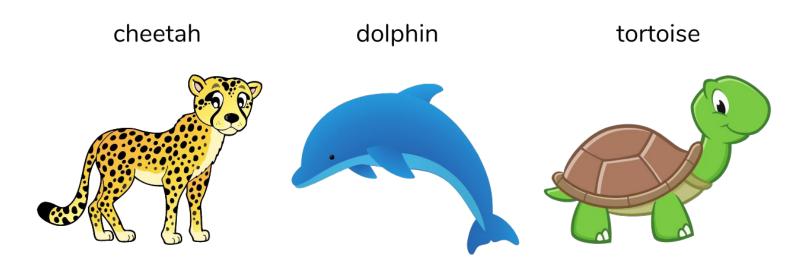


#### slow



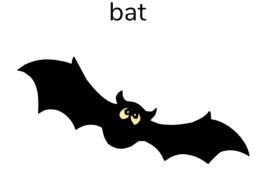








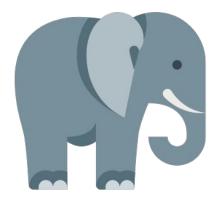
### big







elephant





quick

aeroplane

car

bike









### quickly

aeroplane

car

bike









#### sweet

lemon



chocolate

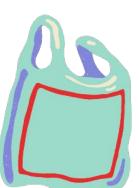


pear





paper plastic



gold





### important





### interesting

film



book









#### comfortable

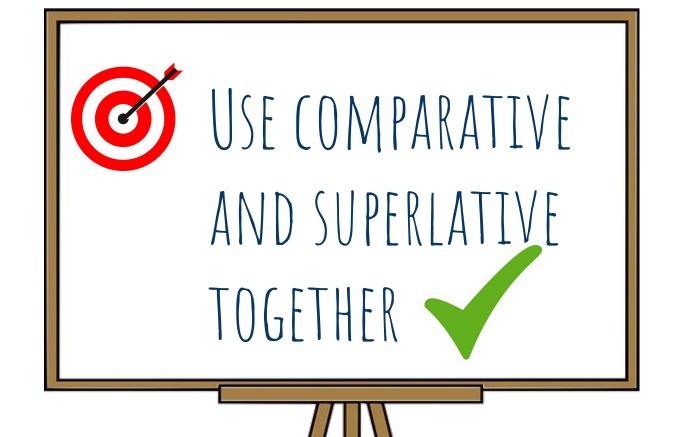




# Any questions?









### REVIEW



Comparative v Superlative

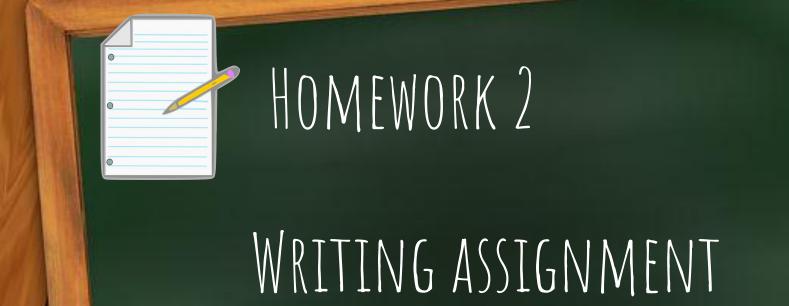




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