

1 Comparatives

Her husband is **stronger than** mine.

My son is **more intelligent than** my daughter.

Quito is **hotter than** Buenos Aires.

Comparative adjectives usually go before **than**.

One-syllable

high	higher
long	longer
short	shorter

Mike's **taller than** his brother.

One-syllable adjectives + **-er** + **than**.

One-syllable CVC

big	bigger
hot	hotter
thin	thinner

August's **slimmer than** Rory.

One-syllable adjectives ending **CVC**: double the final consonant + **-er**.

One / two syllables ending in -y

friendly	friendlier
heavy	heavier
pretty	prettier

My mom is **funnier than** my dad.

Adjectives with one or two syllables **ending in -y**: cut **-y** + **-ier**.

2 Superlatives

Usain's **the fastest** athlete in the world.

Raquel's **the most intelligent** student in the class.

He's **the worst** soccer player in the world.

Superlatives usually go before a noun.

One-syllable

high	the highest
long	the longest
short	the shortest

The Burj Khalifa is **the tallest** building in the world.

One-syllable adjectives use **the... + -est**.

One-syllable CVC

big	the biggest
hot	the hottest
thin	the thinnest

The Lut Desert in Iran is **the hottest** place on Earth.

One-syllable adjectives ending **CVC**: double the final consonant + **-est**.

One / two syllables ending in -y

friendly	the friendliest
heavy	the heaviest
pretty	the prettiest

When he won the lottery, he was **the happiest** man on Earth.

Two-syllable adjectives ending **-y**: cut **-y**, + **-iest**.

Two-syllable adjectives ending in -ed, -ing

This movie is **more boring than** the last one.

High School students feel **more bored** today than 20 years ago.

Adjectives ending **-ing** describe things or people.

Adjectives ending **-ed** usually describe feelings.

Adjectives with more than two syllables

Sue is **more beautiful than** Jane.

New York is much **more interesting than** Boston.

The opposite of **more... than** is **less... than**.

Jane is less beautiful than Sue.

Irregular adjectives

good	better
bad	worse
far	farther / further

I think *The Avengers* is **worse than** *Spider-Man 4*.

Adjectives with more than two syllables

New York is **the most interesting** city in the U.S.

Kelly is **the most determined** person I know.

The opposite of the most = the least

She is **the least** interesting person in the room.

Irregular adjectives

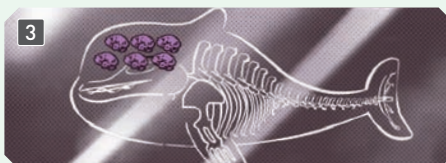
good	the best
bad	the worst
far	the farthest / the furthest

Stevie Wonder is **the best** singer in the world.

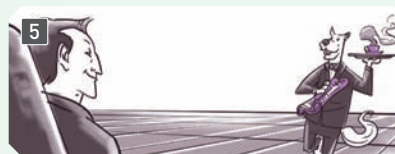
1A Complete 1-5 with a comparative.

dangerous friendly large small tall

- Between the ages of 13 and 18, boys usually grow _____ than girls.
- It's normal for one side of the body to be a bit _____ than the other.
- A whale's brain is about six times _____ than a human's brain.
- Driving at night is _____ than during the day.
- Dogs are usually _____ than cats.


1B Complete 1-5 with a comparative.

- Sam is _____ at math than other subjects. (good)
- Carrie is _____ than her classmates. (organized)
- Their math teacher is _____ than their science teacher. (funny)
- Tomas thinks science is _____ than English. (interesting)
- Marcus's mind is _____ than his friend's. (active)


2A Complete facts 1-5 with a superlative.

far friendly high long populated

- Ojos del Salado, between Argentina and Chile, is _____ volcano on Earth.
- Scientists believe Chimborazo in Ecuador is _____ place from the Earth's center.
- The Andes Mountains in South America are _____ mountain range on the planet.
- California is _____ state in the U.S.
- The Abyssinian cat is _____ cat in the world.

2B In pairs, use *the most* or *the least* plus these adjectives to describe people A-D.

attentive bored interested talkative tired


2C Read the article and correct seven mistakes.

In 1931, the **Empire State building** was first building with more than 100 stories. But now it is among the short of the world's skyscrapers. Today, at 829.84 m, the **Burj Khalifah** in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, is tall building in the world. The second high is the **Makkah Royal Clock Tower Hotel** at 601 m. Burj Khalifa has a nightclub on the 144th floor. To get to the nightclub, you take one of long elevator rides, but the view is also one of spectacular in the world. Far you can see from **Burj Khalifa** is about 95 km.