

## 1 Comparatives

Her husband is stronger than mine.

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

Athens is hotter than Glasgow.

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	bi <b>gger</b>
hot	hotter
thin	thi <b>nner</b>

Angus's slimmer than Rory.

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

One / two syllables ending in -y	
friendly	friendl <b>ier</b>
heavy	heavier
pretty	prett <b>ier</b>

My mum is funnier than my dad.

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

# 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.

London is much more interesting than Nottingham.

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.



My friend is the worst singer in the world.

### 2 Superlatives

Usain's the fastest athlete in the world.

Raquel's the most intelligent student in the lesson.

He's the worst football player in the world.

Superlatives usually go before a noun.

One-syllable	
high	the high <b>est</b>
long	the long <b>est</b>
short	the short <b>est</b>

The Burj Khalifa is **the tallest** building in the world. One-syllable adjectives use **the**... + **-est**.

One-syllable CVC	
big	the bi <b>ggest</b>
hot	the ho <b>ttest</b>
thin	the thi <b>nnest</b>

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 heav <b>iest</b>
pretty	the prett <b>iest</b>

When he won the lottery, he was **the happiest** man on Earth. Two-syllable adjectives ending **-y**: cut **-y**, + **-iest**.

# Adjectives with more than two syllables London is the most interesting city in the UK. 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.



#### **1**A Complete 1-5 with a comparative.

dangerous friendly large small tall

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









#### **1**B Complete 1-5 with a comparative.

- 1 Sam is \_\_\_\_\_ at maths than other subjects. (good)
- 2 Carrie is \_\_\_\_\_ than her classmates. (organised)
- 3 Their maths teacher is \_\_\_\_\_ than their science teacher. (funny)
- 4 Tomas thinks science is \_\_\_\_\_ than English. (interesting)
- 5 Marcus's mind is \_\_\_\_\_ than his friend's. (active)



#### **2**A Complete facts 1-5 with a superlative.

far friendly high long populated

1 Ojos del Salado, between Argentina and Chile, is \_\_\_\_\_\_ volcano on Earth.

2 Scientists believe Chimborazo in Ecuador is \_\_\_\_\_\_ place from the Earth's centre.

3 The Andes Mountains in South America are \_\_\_\_\_ mountain range on the planet.

4 California is \_\_\_\_\_\_ state in the US.

5 The Abyssinian cat is \_\_\_\_\_ cat in the world.

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



#### **2**C Read the article and correct seven mistakes.

In 1931, the **Empire State Building** was first building with more than 100 storeys. But now it is among the short of the world's skyscrapers. Today, at 829.84 m, the **Burj Khalifa** 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 got a nightclub on the 144<sup>th</sup> floor. To get to the nightclub, you take one of long rides in the lift, but the view is also one of spectacular in the world. Far you can see from **Burj Khalifa** is about 95 km.