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| **Adjectives: Comparatives and Superlatives** | | | |
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| **FORM:** |  | Comparative | Superlative |
|  | One syllable – (one vowel sound) | usually add:  -er + than | usually add:  the + -est |
|  | Two syllables  ending in -y | usually add:  -er + than | usually add:  the + -est |
|  | and “ow”  Two or more  syllables | usually add:  more + adj. + than | usually add:  the + most + adj. |
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| **USE:** | **Exceptions:**  good → better than / the best  bad→ worse than / the worst  far→ farther than / the farthest | | |
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|  | **NOTES: 1.** One syllable adjectives which end with a single vowel and a single  consonant **double the consonant** when you add “-er” or “-est”.  Example: *hot, hotter*  **2.** Adjectives which end in “-y” change the “-y” to “-i” when you add  “-er” or “-est”. Examples: *heavy, heavier, heaviest* | | |
| **EXAMPLES:** | *New York is larger than (large) Toronto. (Comparative)*  *Mexico City is the largest (large) city in the world. (Superlative)*  *What? Where?* | | |

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| *Express in COMPARATIVE form the adjectives in parentheses.* |

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| 1. | Criticizing people is much \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *(easy)* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ trying to understand them. |
| 2. | That cat is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *(fat)* Judy’s old cat. It eats too much! |
| 3. | Our trip to Venezuela proved to be much\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *(expensive)* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_our trip to Mexico. |
| 4. | The weather this week is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *(good)* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the weather last week. |
| 5. | This English book was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *(cheap)* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ my history book. |
| 6. | I find this picture much \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ *(pretty)* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that one over there. |

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| *Express in SUPERLATIVE form the adjectives in parentheses.* |

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| 1. | He has \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (bad) handwriting you have ever seen. |
| 2. | They say that Yonge Street, in Toronto, is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (long) street in the world. |
| 3. | Catherine is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (good) student in our class. |
| 4. | Who is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (tall) one in your family? |
| 5. | Jennifer is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (ambitious) girl in the whole class. |
| 6. | This course is supposed to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (difficult) in the entire curriculum. |
| 7. | We always go to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (expensive) restaurants in town. |
| 8. | This chair is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (comfortable). |

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| *Express in COMPARATIVE or SUPERLATIVE form the adjectives in parentheses.* |

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| 1. | He is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (smart) I am. | 6. | This street is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (wide) Park Avenue. |
| 2. | He is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (smart) in the class. | 7. | It is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (wide) street in our town. |
| 3. | This book is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (good) book on the shelf. | 8. | Toronto is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (big) Ottawa. |
| 4. | It is much \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (good) that one. | 9. | Paris is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (big) city in France. |
| 5. | John is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (old) his sister. | 10. | She is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (pretty) her sister. |

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| *Complete the following sentences.* |

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| 1. | This exercise is easier \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 2. | This is the easiest \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 3. | John is stronger \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 4. | This summer is hotter \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| 5. | It is the hottest summer \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |