

	COMPARATIVES	SUPERLATIVES
MAIN USE	Comparatives are used to compare two things and to highlight the superiority, inferiority, or equality of one term compared to another.	For comparisons in larger groups, you must use the superlative. The <b>superlative</b> designates extremes: the best, the first, the worst, the last, etc.
SUPERIORITY	<p>a) Short adjectives: adj + -ER THAN Peter is taller than Sandra.</p> <p>b) Long adjectives: MORE + adj + THAN A Ferrari is more expensive than a Mini.</p>	<p>a) Short adjectives: THE + adj -EST Tom is the tallest boy of the school.</p> <p>b) Long adjectives: THE MOST + adjective This is the most pleasant place on Earth!</p>
EQUALITY	Short & long adjectives: AS... adjective... AS English is as easy as German.	Doesn't exist
INFERIORITY	Short & long adjectives: LESS + adjective + THAN July is less cold than January.	Short & long adjectives: THE LEAST + adjective This is the least interesting movie of the year!

#### NOTES:

Short adjectives: 1 syllable (eg: young) + 2-syllable adjectives ending in -y (eg: pretty)

Long adjectives: all the other adjectives

#### COMPARATIVES:

- > If the adjective ends in "--y" the "y" becomes "i" : heavy --> heavier
- > If the adjective ends in "--e" only an "r" is needed: wise --> wiser
- > If the adjective ends with "single vowel + consonant" the consonant is doubled and one adds "--er" : big --> bigger
- > Some very common adjectives have irregular comparatives: good --> better | bad --> worse | far --> farther

#### SUPERLATIVES:

**Irregular forms:** good --> the best • bad --> the worst • far --> the farthest

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