



Adjectives 2

Comparatives and Superlatives

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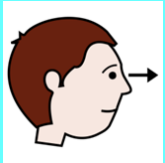
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Adjectives

Adjectives describe things.

They can tell you what a thing



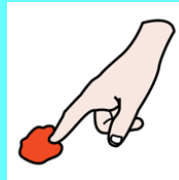
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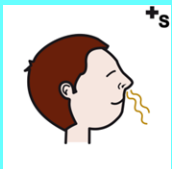
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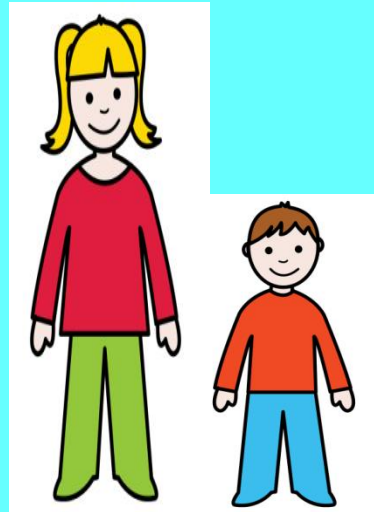
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This PowerPoint tells you about comparative and superlative adjectives. They compare things.

Comparative adjectives

These adjectives compare two things. Most of the time, they end in -er.

tall
short



The girl is **taller** than the boy.
The boy is **shorter** than the girl.

1st thing is adjective+er than 2nd thing

Comparative adjectives

big
small



The cake is **bigger** than the bun.
The bun is **smaller** than the cake.

Comparative adjectives

long
short



The black pencil is **shorter** than the green pencil.
The green pencil is **longer** than the black pencil.

Comparative adjectives

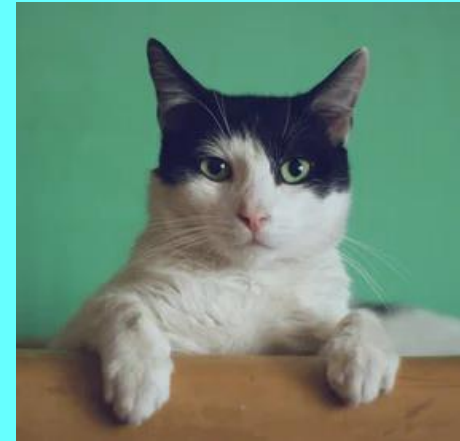
old
young



The man is **older** than the boy.
The boy is **younger** than the man.

Comparative adjectives

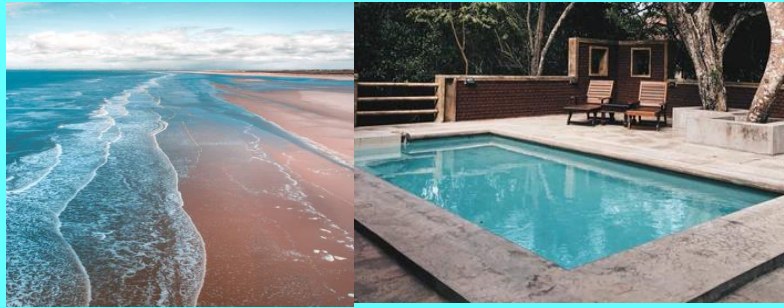
slow
fast



The snail is **slower** than the cat.
The cat is **faster** than the snail.

Comparative adjectives

deep
shallow

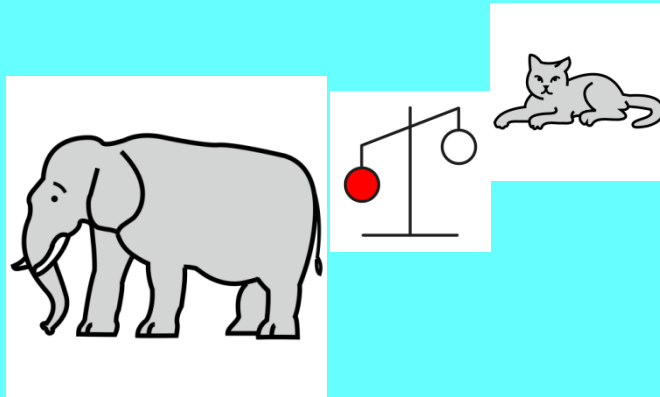


The sea is **deeper** than the swimming pool.
The swimming pool is **shallower** than the sea.

Comparative adjectives ending in 'y'

When the root word ends in 'y', we change the 'y' to 'i' before putting -er on the end.

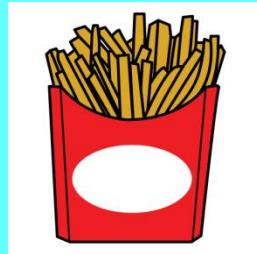
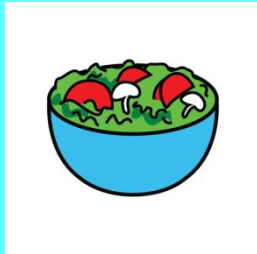
heavy → heavy~~y~~ → heavi + er → heavier



The elephant is **heavier** than the cat.

Comparative adjectives ending in 'y'

healthy → health~~y~~ → healthi + er → healthier



A salad is **healthier** than chips.

Comparative adjectives ending in 'y'

dirty → dirty~~y~~ → dirti + er → dirtier



Football makes you **dirtier** than swimming.

Comparative adjectives ending in 'y'

funny → funny~~y~~ → funni + er → funnier



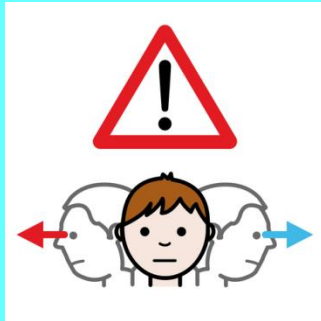
The dog looks **funnier** than the girl.

Comparative adjectives ending in 'y'

tiny → ~~tiny~~ → tini + er → tinier

The ant is **tinier** than the mouse.

Irregular comparatives!



Watch out! Some do not follow the +er pattern!

Irregular comparatives!

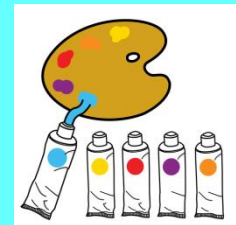
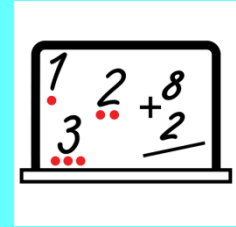


good

✓ We say : I am **good** at Maths.

✓ We say: I am **better** at Maths than Art.

✗ We don't say: I am gooder at Maths than Art.



Irregular comparatives!

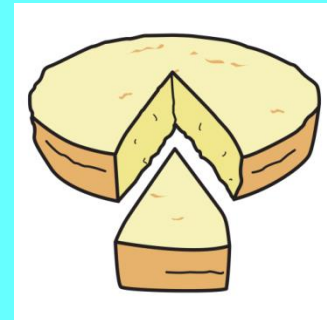


little

✓ We say :I'll eat a **little** bit of pie.

✓ We say: My sister will eat **less** pie than me.

✗ We don't say: My sister will eat littler pie than me.



Irregular comparatives!



bad

✓ We say :Prince Hans is **bad**.



✓ We say: Voldemort is **worse**.

✗ We don't say: Voldemort is **badder**.



Superlative adjectives

These adjectives compare three or more things.

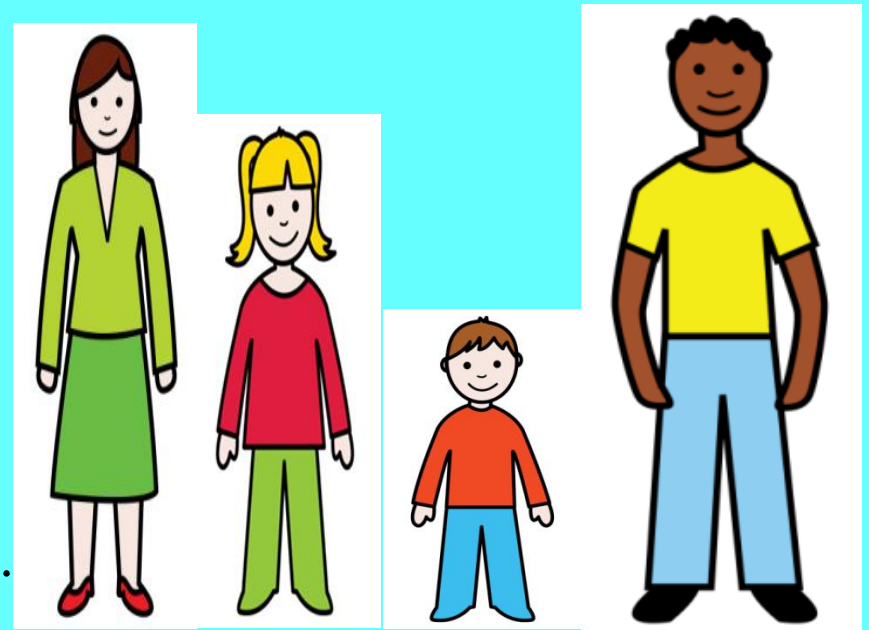
They tell us what is the best or worst, the highest or lowest in the group.

Most of the time they end in -est.

tall
short

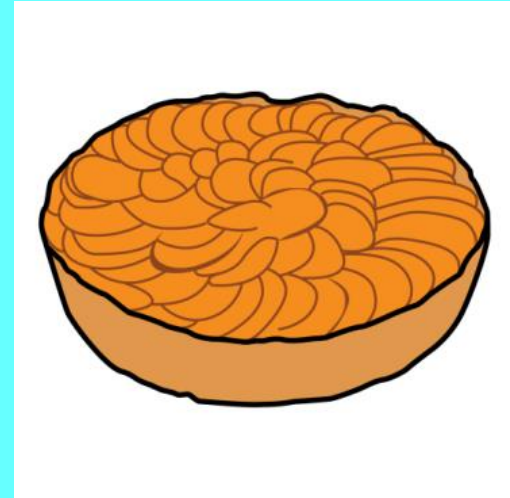
Dad is the **tallest** in the family.

The boy is the **shortest** in the family.



Superlative adjectives

big
small

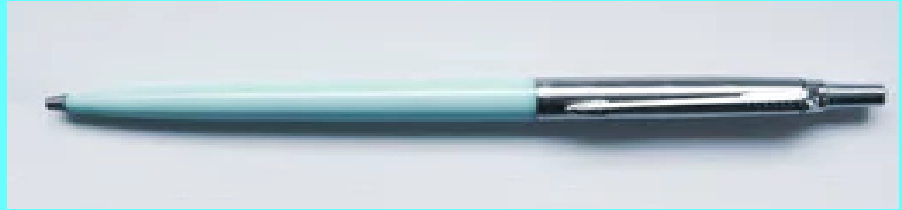


The apple pie is the **biggest**.

The bun is the **smallest**.

Superlative adjectives

short
long



The black pencil is the **shortest**.
The pen is the **longest**.

Superlative adjectives

old
young



Grandma is the **oldest** in the family.
The boy is the **youngest** in the family.

Superlative adjectives

slow
fast

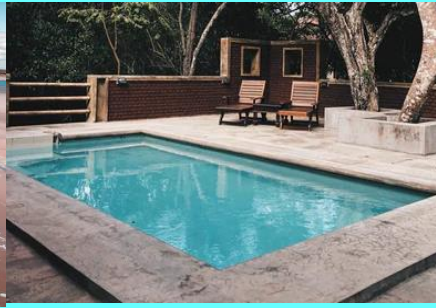


The snail is the **slowest** animal.

The cheetah is the **fastest** animal.

Superlative adjectives

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shallow

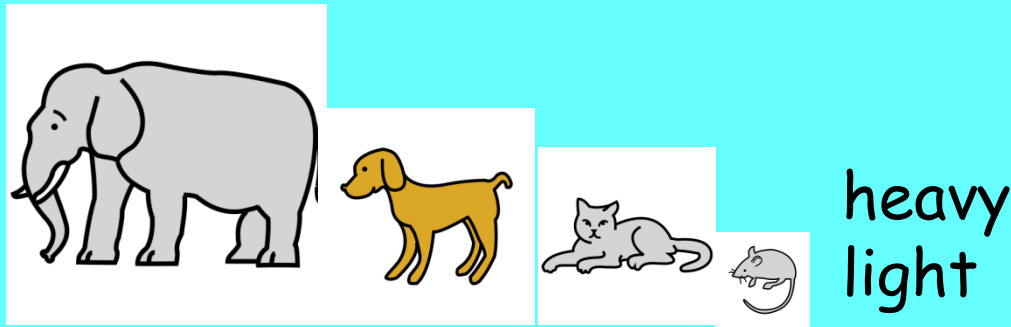


The Pacific Ocean is the **deepest**.
The swimming pool is the **shallowest**.

Superlative adjectives ending in 'y'

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heavy → heavy~~y~~ → heavi + est → heaviest



The elephant is the **heaviest** animal.

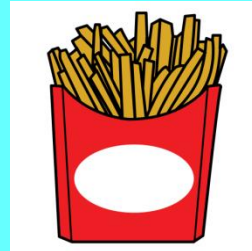
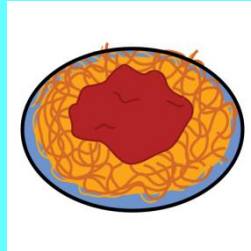
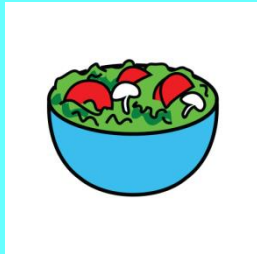
The mouse is the **lightest** animal.

We can also say:

The mouse is **the least heavy** animal.

Superlatives adjectives ending in 'y'

healthy → health~~y~~ → healthi + est → healthiest



A salad is the **healthiest** meal.

Chips are the **unhealthiest** meal.

We can also say:

Chips are **the least healthy** meal.

Superlative adjectives ending in 'y'

dirty → dirty~~y~~ → dirti + est → dirtiest



Rugby makes you the **dirtiest**.

Swimming keeps you the **cleanest**.

We can also say:

Swimming makes you **the least dirty**.

Superlative adjectives ending in 'y'

funny → funny~~y~~ → funni + est → funniest

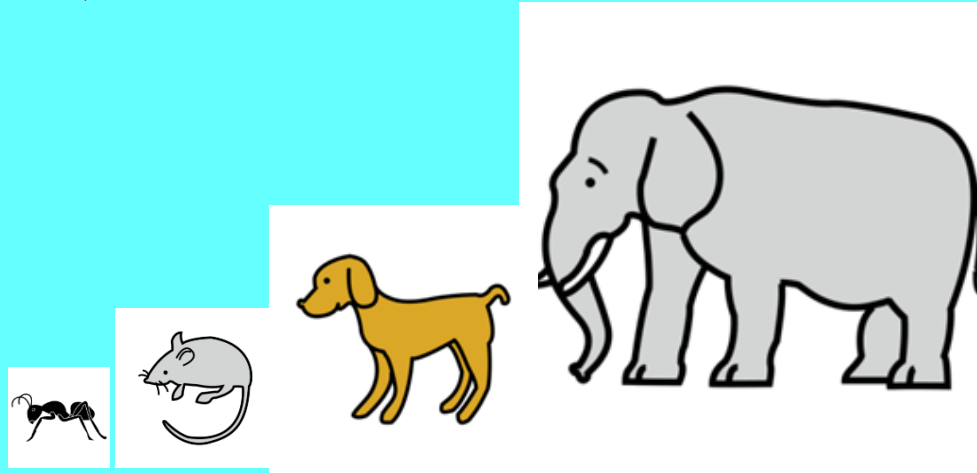


The dog looks the **funniest**.

The girl looks **the least funny**.

Superlative adjectives ending in 'y'

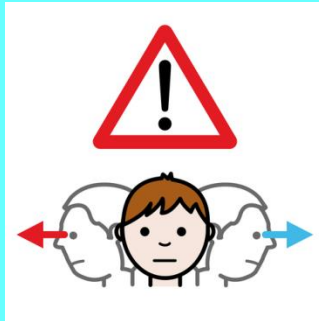
tiny → ~~tiny~~ → tini + est → tiniest



The ant is the **tiniest** animal.

The elephant is the **biggest** animal.

Irregular superlatives!



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Irregular superlatives!



good - better - best

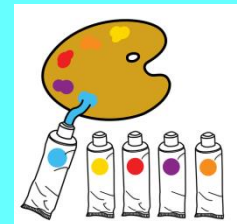
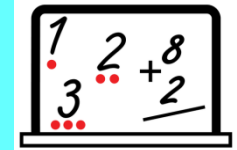
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✓ We say: I am **best** at swimming.

✗ We don't say: I am goodest at swimming.

✗ We don't say: I am bestest swimming.

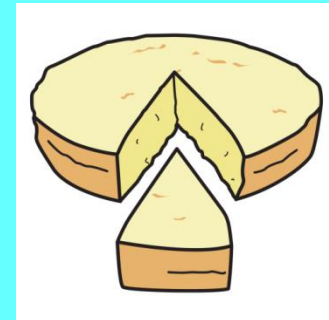


Irregular superlatives!



little - less - the least

- ✓ We say :I'll eat a **little** bit of pie.
- ✓ We say: My sister will eat **less** pie than me.
- ✓ We say: My mum will eat **the least** pie.



- X We don't say: My mum will eat the **littlest** pie.
- X We don't say: My mum will eat the **lessest** pie.
- X We don't say: My mum will eat the **leasest** pie.

Irregular superlatives!



bad - worse - worst

✓ We say : Prince Hans is **bad**.

✓ We say: Cruella De Vil is **worse**.

✓ We say: Voldemort is **the worst**.

X We don't say: Voldemort is **worsest**.

X We don't say: Voldemort is **baddest**.

