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Adjectives That Compare

Adjectives are often used to make comparisons. To compare two people, places, or things, you usually add *-er* to an adjective. To compare three or more people, places, or things, you usually add *-est* to an adjective.

Sometimes you must change the spelling of an adjective when you write the *-er* or *-est* form.

Drop final <i>e</i>	fine	finer	finest
Change <i>y</i> to <i>i</i>	easy	easier	easiest
Double final consonant	big	bigger	biggest

Chicago is a bigger city than Baltimore.

New York is the biggest city in the United States.

Directions Underline the adjective that compares in each sentence.

- San Juan is the largest city in Puerto Rico.
- Puerto Rico has a warmer climate than New York.
- Florida is the closest state to Puerto Rico.
- Miami is nearer to Puerto Rico than New York is.
- Is New York a busier city than Miami?

Directions Write *C* if the underlined adjective is a comparative adjective. Write *S* if it is a superlative adjective.

- Maria's family moved from Mexico City to a smaller city. _____
- Hillside is the smallest town Maria ever saw. _____
- Her neighborhood has fewer houses than her old neighborhood. _____
- The streets are wider in Hillside than in Mexico City. _____
- The people in Maria's new town are the niciest people she has ever met. _____



Home Activity Your child learned about adjectives that compare. Ask your child to describe some television programs using adjectives that compare.

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Directions Add a comparative or superlative adjective to complete each sentence. Use a form of an adjective from the box or an adjective of your own. Make any necessary spelling changes. Write the new sentence.

tasty

sweet

rich

salty

spicy

1. The African dish was the ____ dish at the party.

2. The beans were ____ than the meat.

3. The Spanish dessert was ____ than the dessert I made.

4. I think Chinese food is the ____ food in the world.

5. African chocolate has the ____ flavor I have ever tasted.

Directions Write two sentences comparing two or more kinds of food. Use at least two adjectives that compare. Underline the adjectives.



Home Activity Your child learned how to use adjectives that compare in writing. Have your child write a note to a friend or family member that includes one or more adjectives that compare.

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Directions Mark the letter of the adjective that correctly completes each sentence.

- Kay's family had a ____ trip from China.
 - longest
 - long
 - most longest
 - more longer
- Mateo's trip from Mexico was ____ than Kay's trip.
 - short
 - more short
 - shortest
 - shorter
- Ana had the ____ trip of all.
 - quick
 - quickest
 - quicker
 - quickly
- Moving was ____ for Jaime than for his brother.
 - hard
 - harder
 - hardest
 - more harder
- Jaime thought Boston was a ____ city.
 - greater
 - greatest
 - great
 - most greatest
- He met the ____ people in the world there.
 - friendliest
 - friendlier
 - most friendliest
 - more friendlier
- Jaime's dad opened a ____ shop.
 - newest
 - new
 - more newer
 - most newest
- The shop sold the ____ dishes in Puerto Rico.
 - prettier
 - most prettiest
 - more prettier
 - prettiest
- The shop had a ____ window than the one next door.
 - big
 - bigger
 - biggest
 - more bigger
- Soon he had many ____ customers.
 - happy
 - more happier
 - happiest
 - most happiest



Home Activity Your child prepared for taking tests on adjectives that compare. Have your child find two adjectives that compare in a letter or an e-mail from a friend or family member.

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Directions Underline the adjective that compares in each sentence.

1. Alberto had made the biggest choice of his life.
2. He wanted a safer city than the one he was leaving.
3. Some people want a larger house than they had before.
4. Many people seek a healthier way of life than they have.
5. Alberto thinks the United States is the greatest country in the world.
6. He hopes he will be happier there.

Directions Choose the adjective in () that correctly completes each sentence. Write the adjective on the line.

7. The baseball field is (warmest, warmer) in June than in April.

8. The Lions have the (younger, youngest) baseball players of all the teams.

9. The Lions play on the (greener, greenest) field of all.

10. They are playing the (stronger, strongest) team in the whole league.

11. Puerto Rico has (nicest, nicer) weather for baseball than New York.

12. Professional baseball has a (longest, longer) season than Little League baseball.



Home Activity Your child reviewed adjectives that compare. While listening to music with your child, discuss what you like and dislike. Have your child name some adjectives that compare used in the discussion.