

## Revision of Adjectives, Adverbs Comparatives & Superlatives

### **Adjectives** describe a **noun**

- Here is a **blue** cup.
- **Jun** is **happy**.
- There isn't **much** dinner today.
- Why do you eat **raw** fish?
- **You** have been **naughty**!
- **She's** growing so **tall**.

## Adverbs describe a verb

*Adverbs often end ...ly*

- Franko **drives** **crazily**.
- Erica **plays** the piano **beautifully**.
- The rate of inflation **is rising** **steadily**.
- Eunice **never** **eats** cauliflower.
- Do you **snore** **loudly**?

## Strengthening & weakening adjectives & adverbs

- To strengthen adjectives or adverbs a lot: add "**very**" or "**really**"
- To strengthen adjectives or adverbs by a smaller amount: add "**rather**"
- To weaken adjectives: add "**not very**"
- You can't weaken adverbs .... add "**very**" or "**really**" AND negate the verb

## Strengthening & weakening adjectives & adverbs

- Jun is **very happy**.
- You have been **really naughty**!
- The **weather** is **rather bad** today.
- **She's not very tall**.
- Do you **snore very loudly**?
- Franko **does not drive very quickly**.

## Comparatives and Superlatives

(used with many **adjectives** and **adverbs**)

- Andrew is **more handsome** **than** Peter, but Peter is **taller** than him.
- Li Mee is **more talkative** **than** Vicky.
- Vicky is the **smallest** member of our Club.
- Kenneth **arrived quickest**. Cathy was **slower**.
- Kitty **cooks better** than Franko.

Adjective	No. of syllables	Comparative	Superlative
tall	1	taller	tallest
fat	1	fatter	fattest
big	1	bigger	biggest
sad	1	sadder	saddest
quick	1	quicker	quickest
happy	2	happier	happiest
simple	2	simpler	simplest
busy	2	busier	busiest
handsome	2	more handsome / handsomer	most handsome / handsomest
friendly	2	more friendly / friendlier	most friendly / friendliest
peaceful	2	more peaceful	most peaceful
important	3	more important	most important
expensive	3	more expensive	most expensive
beautiful	3	more beautiful	most beautiful

Regular

Irregular

## Irregular Adjectives

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
Good/Well	better	[the] best
Bad	worse	[the] worst
Little	less	[the] least
Much/Many	more	[the] most
Far	further	[the] furthest
Old (person)	elder	[the] eldest

## Challenge

Invent your own sentences containing  
Comparatives and Superlatives of:

**Bright / Joyful / Heavy / Wonderful / Bad**  
**Gentle / Serious / Lazy / Extreme / Fine / Hot**