

Comparatives and Superlatives

(used with 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

Alan can run faster than Pan

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

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
Good	better	[the] best
Bad	worse	[the] worst
Little	less	[the] least
Much	more	[the] most
Far	further	[the] furthest

Challenge

Lucy is *wiser than* an owl, but every elephant has a *better* memory than Luke

Invent your own sentences containing
Comparatives and Superlatives of:

**Bright / Joyful / Hot / Heavy / Bad / Gentle /
Solid / Lazy / Extreme / Fine**

Weakening or strengthening

almost quicker

quick

just a tiny bit quicker

slightly quicker {or, a little bit quicker}

quicker

much quicker {or, lots quicker}

almost the quickest

quickest

When not comparing

not very quick

quite quick

quick

rather quick

very [*super*] quick

exceptionally quick

Comparing to something different

As slow as a tortoise

Slower than a tortoise



As fast as a rocket

Faster than a rocket



Comparing to something different

As busy as a bee

Slightly busier than a bee /
A little bit busier than a bee

Busier than a bee

Much busier than a bee

As busy as the busiest bee

Busier than the busiest bee



Complete using the correct versions of the [**words**]

It is [**important**] to complete your English task than to drink your tea. I know that your tea will be [**cold**] than you would like. If you finish first you will be the [**happy**] club member with the [**wide**] smile and the [**big**] head! Then you [**will not**] notice that your tea is the [**cool**] in the room – even [**cold**] than Andrew's.