

Comparative and Superlative Adjectives



**YOU WILL LEARN HOW TO USE ADJECTIVES
AND THEIR COMPARATIVE AND
SUPERLATIVE FORMS.**



Adjectives: review



- **Adjectives** are descriptive words, they usually come before the **noun** they describe.
- That is a **pretty** **flower**
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- **Adjectives** can also follow certain **verbs**:
 - The flower **smells** **delicious**
 - The pizza **tastes** **good**
 - John **seems** **eager**

One syllable Adjectives



- The **comparative** and **superlative** of **one-syllable** adjectives are formed by adding **–er** and **–est** to the adjectives.

Comparative –er
Superlative –est

Short	Short er	Short est
Poor	Poor er	Poor est

(short and poor are one-syllable adjectives)

Three or more syllables



- The **Comparative** and **Superlative** Adjectives with **three or more syllables** are formed by putting **more** or **most** before the adjective.
- Comparative –more before adjective
Superlative- most before adjective
- **More** significant **Most** significant
More intelligent **Most** intelligent
- (significant and intelligent are three or more syllable adjectives)

Two or more syllables



- Two syllable adjectives are formed following one of the two previous rules.
- Adjectives ending in **-y** are changed to comparative and superlatives by changing the **-y** into an **-i** and adding **-er** (comparative) or **-est** (superlative)
- Happy Happi**er** Happi**est**

Tips



- Adjectives ending in –er, -le, ow usually take –**er** or –**est**
- Narrow Narrow**er** Narrow**est**
Gentle Gentl**er** Gentl**est**
- Adjectives ending in –ful or –re usually take **more** or **most**.
- Careful **more** careful most careful**ful**

Irregular adjectives



- Some adjectives do not follow the regular pattern

• Bad	Worse	Worst
Good	Better	Best
Little	Less	Least
Far	farther	Farthest

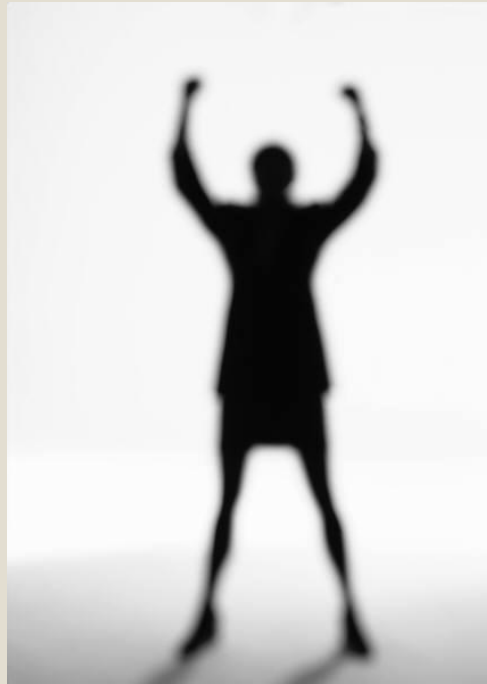
Practice



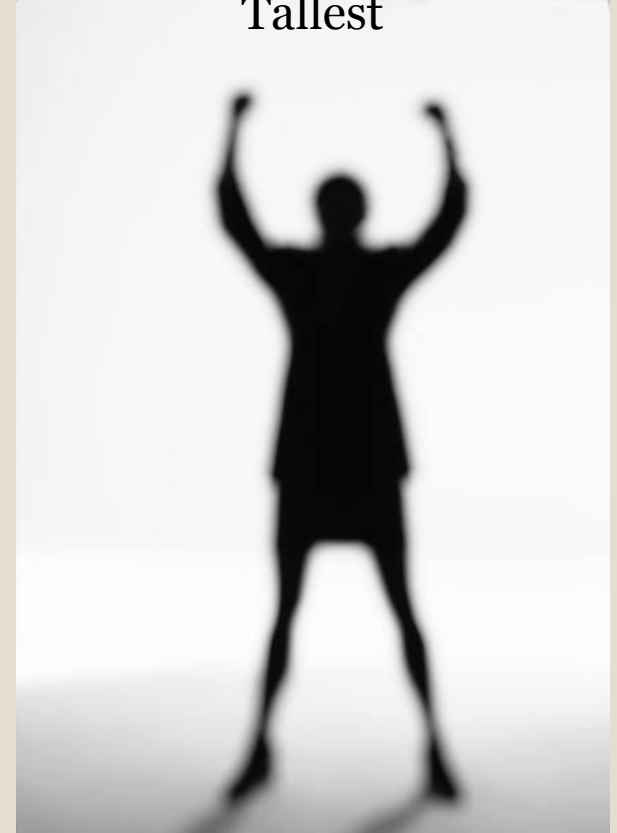
Tall



Taller



Tallest



Practice



Fat

Fatter

Fattest

Practice

