

Comparison of Adjectives

Language Focus

- We use comparative adjectives to compare two people or things. We can form comparative adjectives by adding ‘-er’ to short adjectives (with one or two syllables). We add ‘more’ before long adjectives (with three or more syllables).

Miss Tsang is	<u>kinder</u> more beautiful	than	Snow White.
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*There are some special cases:

- honest → more honest → most honest
- modern → more modern → most modern
- handsome → more handsome → most handsome

- We use superlative adjectives to compare three or more people or things. We can form superlative adjectives by adding ‘-est’ to short adjectives. We add ‘most’ before long adjectives.

Miss Tsang is	the	<u>kindest.</u> most beautiful.
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- Special adjectives

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
good	better	best
bad	worse	worst
little	less	least
much / many	more	most

A. Complete the table as the example given.

e.g. short	shorter	shortest
1. thin		
2. angry		
3. slow		
4. wide		
5. cheap		
6. young		

B. Complete the sentences with a correct form of the adjective.

1. Are humans _____ (wise) animals?
2. Is English _____ (easy) Chinese?
3. What is _____ (heavy) land animal?
4. Is a refrigerator _____ (cheap) a television?
5. Are our brains _____ (big) those of monkeys'?
6. The neck of the giraffes is _____ (long) of all animals.
7. What is _____ (fast) runner in the animal kingdom?
8. Is guitar _____ (hard) musical instrument to learn?
9. Who is _____ (tall) student in our class?

C. Proofread the following sentences. If there is a mistake, underline it and write the correct answer in the space provided. If there is no mistake, put a ✓.

1. Your hands are dirtyer than mine!

2. My father is the bravest man in the world.

3. John is naughtier Sam.

4. Mark is cleverest student in 3C.

5. China is bigger than Hong Kong.

6. Men are stronger than women.

7. Autumn is drier spring.

8. His mark is highier than Judy's.

9. Which is the taller building in Hong Kong?

10. Ken is heaviest than me.

11. I am youngest in my family.

12. Are pigs the laziest animal of all?

13. A tiger is large than a cat.

14. This lady is the prettyest.

15. She is richer than many people.

D. Fill in the blanks with the correct forms of the given words.

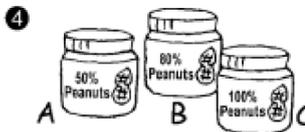
exciting

crunchy

humorous

bad

brave



- I am the _____ singer among my friends.
- Captain Carson is the _____ soldier in the army.
- David is the _____ student in my class. He always tells jokes.
- Peanut butter C is the _____ among all.
- The roller coaster is the _____ ride in the amusement park.

E. Complete the sentences with a correct form of the adjective. Do NOT forget to add "than" or "the".

In the classroom:

Jimmy is (1) _____ (lazy) student. Tommy is (2) _____ (rude) student.

In the party:

Benny looked (3) _____ (smart) his friends and Kiki is (4) _____ (lucky) because she won the first prize!

In the exam:

Many people get (5) _____ (easy) question wrong. Only (6) _____ (wise) students can get it right and (7) _____ (high) score in this class is 97.

In the zoo:

The monkey is (8) _____ (thin) the hippo. The hippo is (9) _____ (fat) the monkey. The lion's tail is (10) _____ (long) the pig's tail.

In the world:

Japan is (11) _____ (large) Hong Kong but it is (12) _____ (small) China. However, China is not (13) _____ (big) country. I think Hong Kong is (14) _____ (pretty) place.

