



CBTis 122, English I

Module 3

What do you normally do?

a) Comparative and Superlative adjectives.





COMPARATIVE FORM

**THE ORANGE IS BIGGER
THAN AN APPLE**

YAO IS TALLER
THAN THE WOMAN.



Comparative form



RONALDO
IS OLDER
THAN
MESSI.

COINS ARE SMALLER THAN BILLS.



A RABBIT IS
FASTER
THAN A
TURTLE.



A FERRARI IS
MORE
EXPENSIVE THAN
A LAMBORGHINI



WE USE THE COMPARATIVE OF
ADJECTIVES WHEN WE COMPARE TWO
PEOPLE, ANIMALS OR THINGS.

- **NOUN**: (N) *Things, People or Places.*
- **ADJECTIVE**: (A) *The adjective describes a noun.*

Examples:

- **The house** is **small**.
- **My sister** is **pretty**.
- **China** is a **big** country.



- **COMPARATIVE FORM:**

- 1) *adjectives with one syllable.*
- 2) *adjectives with 2/3/4 syllables.*
- 3) *adjectives that end in “- y”.*
- 4) *irregular comparative form.*

FORMATION

1) ADJECTIVE + (-ER) + THAN

- **SHORT ADJECTIVES (one syllable):**
- Old ----- Older
- Nice ----- Nicer
- Slow ----- Slower
- Late ----- Later
- Cheap ----- Cheaper
- Big ----- Bigger
- Hot ----- Hotter
- Thin ----- Thinner

2) MORE + ADJECTIVE + THAN

- **LONG ADJECTIVES (2/3/4 syllables):**
- Modern – more modern
- Polite – more polite
- Tired – more tired
- Expensive – more expensive
- Interesting – more interesting
- Famous – more famous
- Important – more important
- Exclusive – more exclusive

FORMATION

3) ADJECTIVE (with end - "y") + (-ER) + THAN

- If an adjective ends in a consonant + “- **y**”, change the “-**y**” to “- **i**” and add “- **er**”.
- Pretty ----- **prettier**
- Funny ----- **funnier**
- Easy ----- **easier**
- Heavy ----- **heavier**
- Early ----- **earlier**

4) IRREGULAR COMPARATIVE FORMS + THAN

- The comparative forms of...
- Good ----- **better**
- Bad ----- **worse**
- Far ----- **farther/further**
- Little ----- **less**
- Much/Many ----- **more**

...are irregular.

Write the comparative form for the following adjectives (-ER Form), (MORE Form) or (Irregular Form)+ THAN...

ADJECTIVE	Comparative Form	ADJECTIVE	Comparative Form
1.- Old	Older than	9.- Sweet	
2.- Small		10.- Expensive	More expensive than
3.- Big		11.-Hot	
4.- Important		12.-Cheap	
5.- Easy		13.-Good	
6.- Difficult		14.-Bad	
7.-Long		15.-Far	
8.- Heavy		16.-Lazy	

Write the comparative form for the following adjectives (-ER / -IER Form), (MORE Form) or (Irregular Form)+ THAN...

ADJECTIVE	Comparative Form	ADJECTIVE	Comparative Form
1.- Old	Older than	9.- Sweet	Sweeter than
2.- Small	Smaller than	10.- Expensive	More expensive than
3.- Big	Bigger than	11.-Hot	Hotter than
4.- Important	More important than	12.-Cheap	Cheaper than
5.- Easy	Easier than	13.-Good	Better than
6.- Difficult	More difficult than	14.-Bad	Worse than
7.-Long	Longer than	15.-Far	Father/further than
8.- Heavy	Heavier than	16.-Lazy	Lazier than

REMEMBER:

Adjective + (-er form) + THAN

More + *adjective form* + THANAdjective (ending -y) + (-ier form) +
THAN*(Irregular form)* + THAN

Complete the sentences. Use the
COMPARATIVE form of the words
in *italics*.

- 1. (*comfortable*). The blue chair is *more comfortable than* the yellow chair.
- 2. (*dark*). Tom's mustache is _____ Don's.
- 3. (*heavy*). Iron is _____ wood.
- 4. (*difficult*). My Math course is _____ my English course.
- 5. (*short*). My little finger is _____ my middle finger.
- 6. (*pretty*). This girl is _____ the other girl.
- 7. (*strong*). A horse is _____ a person.
- 8. (*beautiful*). A rose is _____ a weed.
- 9. (*lazy*). I'm _____ my brother.
- 10. (*long*). The Nile river is _____ the Mississippi.
- 11. (*intelligent*). A dog is _____ a chicken.

REMEMBER:

Adjective + (-er form) + THAN

More + adjective form + THAN

Adjective (ending -y) + (-ier form) +
THAN

(Irregular form) + THAN

Complete the sentences. Use the
COMPARATIVE form of the words
in *italics*.

- 1. (*comfortable*). The blue chair is *more comfortable than* the yellow chair.
- 2. (*dark*). Tom's mustache is *darker than* Don's.
- 3. (*heavy*). Iron is *heavier than* wood.
- 4. (*difficult*). My Math course is *more difficult than* my English course.
- 5. (*short*). My little finger is *shorter than* my middle finger.
- 6. (*pretty*). This girl is *prettier than* the other girl.
- 7. (*strong*). A horse is *stronger than* a person.
- 8. (*beautiful*). A rose is *more beautiful than* a weed.
- 9. (*lazy*). I'm *lazier than* my brother.
- 10. (*long*). The Nile river is *longer than* the Mississippi.
- 11. (*intelligent*). A dog is *more intelligent than* a chicken.

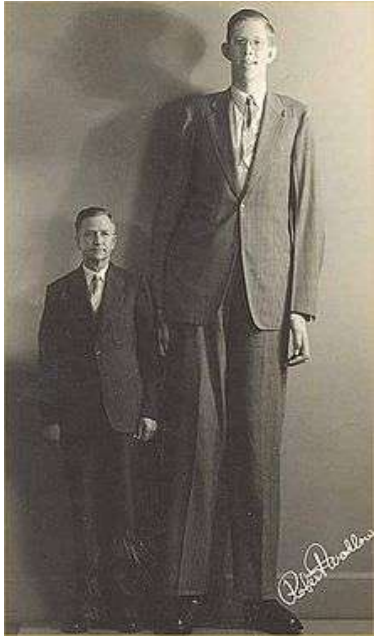


SUPERLATIVE FORM

youngest mvp in nba history

KOBE IS THE MOST VALUABLE PLAYER OF THE YEAR.

ROBERT P. WADLOW THE
TALLEST MAN IN THE
 WORLD (2.72mts)



WHITE HOUSE IS THE
OLDEST BUILDING IN TOWN.



TODAY IS THE
COLDEST DAY OF THE
 YEAR.



THIS IS THE FASTEST CAR IN
 THE WORLD.



SHARK IS THE MOST
DANGEROUS ANIMAL ON
 THE SEA.



**WE USE THE SUPERLATIVE OF ADJECTIVES
 WHEN WE COMPARE ONE PERSON,
ANIMAL OR THING. WITH SEVERAL OF
 THE SAME KIND.**



- **NOUN**: (N) *Things, People or Places.*
- **ADJECTIVE**: (A) *The adjective describes a noun.*



Examples:

- **The house** is **small**.
- **My sister** is **pretty**.
- **China** is a **big** country.



- **SUPERLATIVE FORM:**
 - 1) *adjectives with one syllable... + noun.*
 - 2) *adjectives with 2/3/4/5 syllables ... + noun.*
 - 3) *adjectives that end in “- y” ... + noun.*
 - 4) *irregular superlative form ... + noun.*

FORMATION

1) **THE** + ADJECTIVE + (-**EST**) + NOUN+
OF/IN/ON

- **SHORT ADJECTIVES (one syllable):**
- Old ----- The **Oldest**
- Nice ----- The **Nicest**
- Slow ----- The **Slowest**
- Late ----- The **Latest**
- Cheap --- The **Cheapest**
- Big ----- The **Biggest**
- Hot ----- The **Hottest**
- Thin ----- The **Thinnest**

2) **THE** + **MOST** + ADJECTIVE + NOUN+
OF/IN/ON

- **LONG ADJECTIVES (2/3/4/5 syllables):**
- Modern – The **most** modern
- Polite – The **most** polite
- Tired – The **most** tired
- Expensive – The **most** expensive
- Interesting – The **most** interesting
- Famous – The **most** famous
- Important – The **most** important
- Exclusive – The **most** exclusive

FORMATION

3) THE + ADJECTIVE (with end - "y") + (-**IEST**) + NOUN + **OF/IN/ON**

- If an adjective ends in a consonant + “- **y**”, change the “- **y**” to “- **i**” and add “- **est**”.
- Pretty ----- The **prettiest**
- Funny ----- The **funniest**
- Easy ----- The **easiest**
- Heavy ----- The **heaviest**
- Early ----- The **earliest**

4) THE + IRREGULAR SUPERLATIVE FORM + NOUN + **OF/IN/ON**

- The superlative forms of...
 - Good ----- The best
 - Bad ----- The worst
 - Far --- The farthest/furthest
 - Little ----- The least
 - Much/Many ----- The most
- ...are irregular.

Write the Superlative form for the following adjectives
(*-EST Form*), (*The MOST Form*) or (*THE Irregular Form*)+ **NOUN +OF/IN/ON...**

ADJECTIVE	Superlative Form	ADJECTIVE	Superlative Form
1.- Old	The oldest	9.- Sweet	
2.- Small		10.- Expensive	The most expensive
3.- Big		11.-Hot	
4.- Comfortable		12.-Cheap	
5.- Easy		13.-Good	
6.- Difficult		14.-Bad	
7.-Long		15.-Far	
8.- Heavy		16.-Lazy	

Write the Superlative form for the following adjectives

(*-EST / -IEST Form*), (*The MOST Form*) or (*THE Irregular Form*)+ **NOUN + OF/IN/ON...**

ADJECTIVE	Superlative Form	ADJECTIVE	Superlative Form
1.- Old	The oldest	9.- Sweet	The sweetest
2.- Small	The smallest	10.- Expensive	The most expensive
3.- Big	The biggest	11.-Hot	The hottest
4.- Comfortable	The most comfortable	12.-Cheap	The cheapest
5.- Easy	The easiest	13.-Good	The best
6.- Difficult	The most difficult	14.-Bad	The worst
7.-Long	The longest	15.-Far	The farthest/furthest
8.- Heavy	The heaviest	16.-Lazy	The laziest

Complete the sentences. Use the SUPERLATIVE form of the words in *italics*.

REMEMBER:

THE + Adjective + (-est form) + noun + OF/IN/ON

THE + MOST + adjective form + noun + OF/IN/ON

THE + Adjective(ending -y) + (-iest form) + noun + OF/IN/ON

THE + (Irregular form) + noun + OF/IN/ON

- 1. (*large*). Toronto is the largest city in Canada.
- 2. (*long*). The Nile is _____ river in the world.
- 3. (*interesting*). I'm taking four classes. My History class is _____ of all.
- 4. (*high*). Mt. McKinley in Alaska is _____ mountain in North America.
- 5. (*tall*). The Sears Tower is _____ building in Chicago.
- 6. (*short*). February is _____ month of the year.
- 7. (*fast*). _____ way to travel is by airplane.
- 8. (*beautiful*). In my opinion, Miami is _____ city in U.S.A.
- 9. (*small*). Tlaxcala is _____ state in Mexican Republic.
- 10. (*big*). Lake Superior is _____ lake in North America.
- 11. (*near*). Excuse me, where is _____ bank?

Complete the sentences.
Use the SUPERLATIVE form
of the words in *italics*.

REMEMBER:

THE + Adjective + (-est form) + noun + OF/IN/ON

THE + MOST + adjective form + noun + OF/IN/ON

THE + Adjective(ending -y) + (-iest form) + noun + OF/IN/ON

THE + (Irregular form) + noun + OF/IN/ON

- 1. (*large*). Toronto is the largest city in Canada.
- 2. (*long*). The Nile is the longest river in the world.
- 3. (*interesting*). I'm taking four classes. My History class is the most interesting of all.
- 4. (*high*). Mt. McKinley in Alaska is the highest mountain in North America.
- 5. (*tall*). The Sears Tower is the tallest building in Chicago.
- 6. (*short*). February is the shortest month of the year.
- 7. (*fast*). The fastest way to travel is by airplane.
- 8. (*beautiful*). In my opinion, Miami is the most beautiful city in U.S.A.
- 9. (*small*). Tlaxcala is the smallest state in Mexican Republic.
- 10. (*big*). Lake Superior is the biggest lake in North America.
- 11. (*near*). Excuse me, where is the nearest bank?

F O R M A T I O N

HOW LONG IS THE ADJECTIVE?	ADJECTIVE ending	COMPARATIVE		ADJECTIVE ending	SUPERLATIVE	
SHORT ADJECTIVES (one syllable):	"...E"="R"	ADJECTIVE + (ER) +	THAN	"...E"="ST"	THE + ADJECTIVE + (EST) + NOUN	OF/IN/ON (all)
	"VOWEL+CTE"="2CTE+ER"			"VOWEL+CTE"="2CTE+EST"		
	"VOWEL+VOWEL+CTE"="ER"			"VOWEL+VOWEL+CTE"="EST"		
	"CTE+CTE"="ER"			"CTE+CTE"="EST"		
LONG ADJECTIVES (2/3/4/5 syllables):	(2/3/4/5 syllables)	MORE + ADJECTIVE +	THAN	(2/3/4/5 syllables)	THE + MOST + ADJECTIVE + NOUN	OF/IN/ON (all)
ADJECTIVE (with end – "y")	"CTE" + "Y" = "IER"	ADJECTIVE + (IER) +	THAN	"CTE" + "Y" = "IEST"	THE + ADJECTIVE + (IEST) + NOUN	OF/IN/ON (all)
IRREGULAR COMPARATIVE FORMS	Change the form completely	Good ----- better Bad ----- worse Far ----- farther/further Little ----- less Many/Much ----- more	THAN	Change the form completely	Good --- THE BEST+NOUN Bad --- THE WORST+NOUN Far ---- THE FARTHEST-THE FURTHEST+NOUN Little --- THE LEAST+NOUN Many/Much --- THE MOST+NOUN	OF/IN/ON (all)