



Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar

Adjectives with er and est

Adjectives with the suffixes

er and **est**



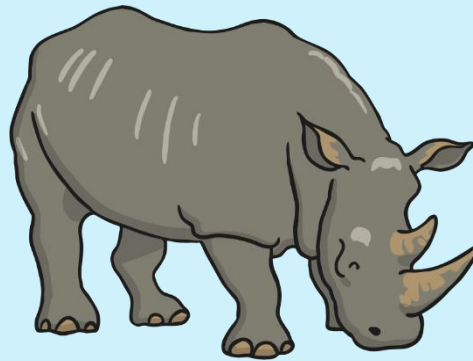
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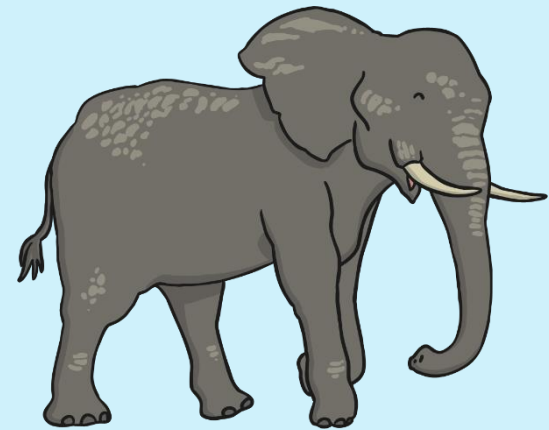
Look at these pictures. What do you notice?



strong



stronger



strongest

Comparative Adjectives



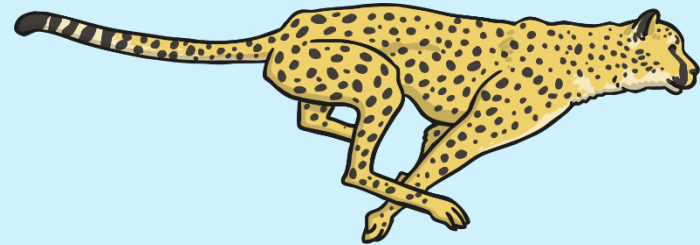
Look at these pictures. What do you notice?



fast



faster



fastest

Comparative Adjectives



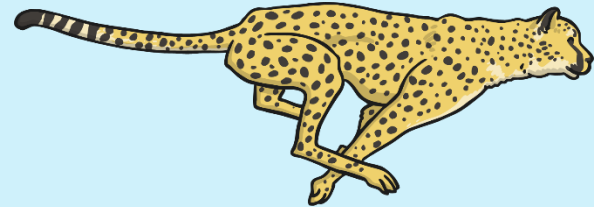
We call these adjectives comparative and superlative adjectives.



fast



faster



fastest

When we compare two things we use comparative adjectives.

When we compare three or more things we use superlative adjectives.

Adding er and est



Look at these words:

big

bigger

biggest

fast

faster

fastest

What do you notice about these words?

When we are using comparative and superlative adjectives, we often use the suffixes er and est.

Adding er and est



Adding er and est to these words is quite easy!

short + er = shorter

short + est = shortest

long + er = longer

long + est = longest

great + er = greater

great + est = greatest

Can you add er and est to these words? Write your answers on your whiteboards.

slow

tall

Adding er and est



Adding er and est to words that end in **y**.

Have a look at these words:

pretty + er = prettier

pretty + est = prettiest

tasty + er = tastier

tasty + est = tastiest

If the adjective ends in a **y**, we need to change it to an **i**, then add **er** or **est**. Can you add **er** and **est** to these words? Write the answers on your whiteboards.

easy

happy

If the adjective ends in a **y**, we need to change it to an **i**, then add **er** or **est**.

Adding er and est



Adding er and est to words that end in **e**.

Have a look at these words:

wise + er = wiser

wise + est = wisest

strange + er = stranger

strange + est = strangest

When the word ends in an **e**, we knock the **e** off before adding **er** or **est**. Can you add **er** and **est** to these words? Write your answers on your whiteboards.

late

cute

When the word ends in an **e**, we knock the **e** off before adding **er** or **est**.

Adding er and est



Have a look at these words:

sad

sadder

saddest

thin

thinner

thinnest

These adjectives all end in a vowel and one consonant.

thin

i (short vowel sound)

n (consonant)

When an adjective ends in a vowel and one consonant, we need to double the last consonant to keep the vowel short.

Can you add er and est to these words?

hot

wet

