Standard 2

Curriculum Topic: Adjectives (Writing)



Teaching Point/s: Identify and use the comparative and superlative forms of adjectives in sentences.

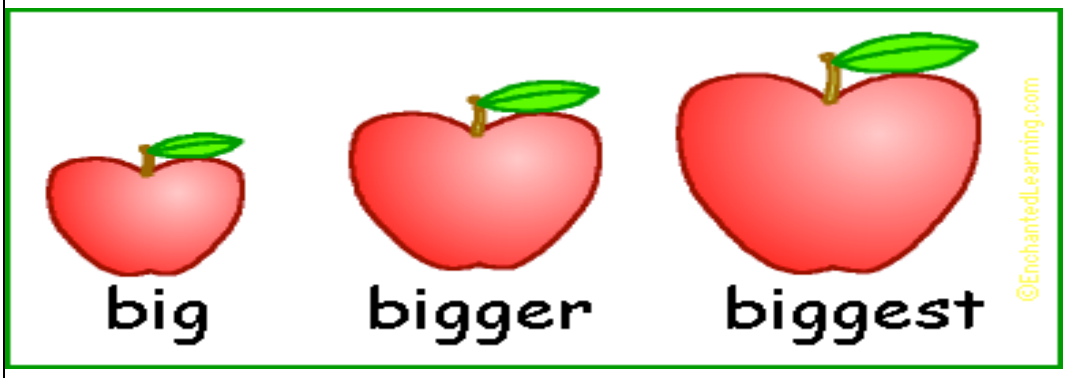
Let us recap:

(i)An adjective is a word that describes or tells us more about a noun.

(ii) Comparative form of adjectives –is used when comparing two people or things.

(iii)Superlative form of adjectives -is used when comparing more than two people or things.

COMPARISON OF ADJECTIVES



Positive Comparative Superlative

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Let us recap:

COMPARISONS OF ADJECTIVES

Adjective	Positive degree	Comparative degree	Superlative degree
One syllable adjective	clear dark	-er clearer clearest	-est darker darkest
One syllable adjective ending with -e	wise simple	-r wiser simpler	-st wisest simplest
Adjectives ending with one vowel and one consonant	thin hot	-er thinner hotter	-est thinnest hottest
Adjectives with two syllables ending in -y	busy merry	-er busier merrier	-est busiest merriest
Adjectives with three or more syllables	creative popular	more+ more creative more popular	most+ most creative most popular
Irregular adjectives	good bad little much	better worse less more	best worst least most

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Activity 1

Complete these sentences by inserting the correct degree (comparative or superlative forms) of the adjectives in brackets.

For example:
The trumpet is the _____brass instrument. (loud)

The trumpet is the loudest brass instrument.

1. Vana's sari is made of the _____silk I have ever touched. (thin)
2. Susan is a _____dancer than her sister, Radha. (graceful)
3. Winston chose the video that looked the _____. (scary)
4. Of the two roads leading to town, the river road is the _____one. (narrow)
5. The cathedral is the _____building in the island. (old)
6. The traffic on this road is the _____. (dangerous)
7. This Science book is _____ than the Mathematics text. (heavy).
8. Our class won the prize for the _____ website design. (original)

Answer Key

1. Vana's sari is made of the thinnest silk I have ever touched.
2. Susan is a more graceful dancer than her sister, Radha.
3. Winston chose the video that looked the scariest.
4. Of the two roads leading to town, the river road is the narrower one.
5. The cathedral is the oldest building in the island.
6. The traffic on this road is the most dangerous.
7. The Science textbook is heavier than the Mathematics textbook.
8. Our class won the prize for the most original website design.

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Activity 2

Rewrite the following sentences correcting the errors in the comparisons of the adjectives.

For example:

Ballet is most difficult than tap dancing.

Ballet is more difficult than tap dancing.

1. Undoubtedly, this is the most powerful of the two computers.
2. Many chefs believe that chili peppers are spiciest than bell peppers.
3. Pamela is the more diligent student in our Mathematics class.
4. Some people say the Mighty Sparrow is best than Chalkdust.
5. Definitely, Enid is the oldest of the Robinson twins.
6. This is the worse cold that I have had in a long time.
7. The embroidery pattern on the sweater is the bigger that I have seen.

Answer Key

Sentence	Correction
1.Undoubtedly, this is the most powerful of the two computers.	Undoubtedly, this is the more powerful of the two computers.
2.Many chefs believe that chili peppers are spiciest than bell peppers.	Many chefs believe that chili peppers are spicier than bell peppers.
3.Pamela is the more diligent student in our Mathematics class.	Pamela is the most diligent student in our Mathematics class
4. Some people say the Mighty Sparrow is best than Chalkdust.	Some people say the Mighty Sparrow is better than Chalkdust.
5. Definitely, Enid is the oldest of the Robinson twins.	Definitely, Enid is the older of the Robinson twins.
6. This is the worse cold that I have had in a long time	This is the worst cold that I have had in a long time
7. The embroidery pattern on the sweater is the bigger that I have seen.	The embroidery pattern on the sweater is the biggest that I have seen.

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Activity 3



ADJECTIVE BANK		
noisy	wise	dirty
clever	industrious	polite
wealthy	thin	cold

Compare the following adjectives by choosing three from the bank and using them in short sentences.

For example:

Good My first Math mark was good.

The second was better.

This one is the best.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____