

## Comparatives

To make the comparative in English we first must decide which category of adjectives your word belongs to.

**Category 1** – Small words of one syllable. Eg: tall, big, small, short, fat

**Category 2** – Words that end with the letter, ‘y’. Eg: easy, heavy, silly, noisy

**Category 3** – Long words of two syllables or more that don’t end with ‘y’. Eg: serious, intelligent, comfortable

For Category 1 words we add **-er** to make the comparative. Eg: taller, bigger, smaller, shorter, fatter.

For Category 2 words we add **-ier** to make the comparative. Eg: easier, heavier, sillier, noisier

For Category 3 words we use the word ‘**more**’ plus the word. Eg: more serious, more intelligent, more comfortable.

### **EXCEPTIONS:**

good ----- better

far ----- further

bad ----- worse

much/many ----- more

## Superlatives

To make the superlative in English we first must decide which category of adjectives your word belongs to.

Category 1 – Small words of one syllable. Eg: tall, big, small, short, fat

Category 2 – Words that end with the letter, ‘y’. Eg: easy, heavy, silly, noisy

Category 3 – Long words of two syllables or more that don’t end with ‘y’. Eg: serious, intelligent, comfortable

For Category 1 words we add **-est** to make the comparative. Eg: tallest, biggest, smallest, shortest, fattest.

For Category 2 words we add **-iest** to make the comparative. Eg: easiest, heaviest, silliest, noisiest

For Category 3 words we use the word ‘**most**’ plus the word. Eg: most serious, most intelligent, most comfortable.

### **EXCEPTIONS:**

good ----- best

far ----- furthest

bad ----- worst

much/many ----- most