Comparative Adverbs

Grade 3

Name _____ Date _____

Remember: Adverbs can compare actions. Short adverbs add **-er** and **-est**: *fast, faster, fastest*. Adverbs ending in **-ly** use **more** and **most**: *quickly, more quickly, most quickly*.

Irregular: well → better → best · badly → worse → worst



1. Choose the right form

Circle the adverb that completes each sentence.

1. A rabbit runs _____ than a turtle.
   faster | more fast | fastest

2. Sam spoke _____ than his sister.
   softlier | more softly | softly

3. Of all the birds, the owl flies the _____.
   quietliest | more quietly | most quietly

4. Ana jumped _____ than anyone in the class.
   highest | higher | more high

5. I sing _____ now than I did last year.
   better | gooder | more well

6. The red team played the _____ of all.
   worse | baddest | worst

7. Please write _____ than last time.
   more neatly | neatlier | most neatly

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2. Write about the race

A rabbit, a dog and a turtle had a race. Finish each sentence with an adverb that compares.

1. The rabbit ran _____ than the dog.

_____

2. The turtle moved the _____ of all.

_____

3. The dog barked _____ than the rabbit.

_____

4. The rabbit finished _____.

_____

Answer Key

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1. Choose the right form

1. A rabbit runs **faster** than a turtle.
   - faster ✓
   - more fast
   - fastest
2. Sam spoke **more softly** than his sister.
   - softlier
   - more softly ✓
   - softly
3. Of all the birds, the owl flies the **most quietly**.
   - quietliest
   - more quietly
   - most quietly ✓
4. Ana jumped **higher** than anyone in the class.
   - highest
   - higher ✓
   - more high
5. I sing **better** now than I did last year.
   - better ✓
   - gooder
   - more well
6. The red team played the **worst** of all.
   - worse
   - baddest
   - worst ✓
7. Please write **more neatly** than last time.
   - more neatly ✓
   - neatlier
   - most neatly

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Answers will vary. These are examples.

1. The rabbit ran _____ than the dog.
   The rabbit ran faster than the dog.
2. The turtle moved the _____ of all.
   The turtle moved the most slowly of all.
3. The dog barked _____ than the rabbit.
   The dog barked more loudly than the rabbit.
4. The rabbit finished _____.
   The rabbit finished first and the most quickly.