Comparative and Superlative

Grade 3

Name _____ Date _____

Remember: Use **-er** to compare **two** things: *Sam is taller than Ali.* Use **-est** to compare **three or more**: *Jo is the tallest in the class.*

Remember: -est words usually have **the** in front: *the biggest, the fastest, the funniest*.



1. Match the forms

Draw a line from each adjective to its -est form.

big	o	funniest
happy	o	loudest
small	o	biggest
funny	o	bravest
nice	o	smallest
hot	o	hottest
loud	o	nicest
brave	o	happiest

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2. Two or more?

Are you comparing two things or more than two? Circle the right word.

1. The whale is the _____ animal in the ocean. — bigger / biggest
2. My dog is _____ than my cat. — louder / loudest
3. That was the _____ joke I ever heard! — funnier / funniest
4. A river is _____ than a stream. — wider / widest
5. Mount Everest is the _____ mountain on Earth. — taller / tallest
6. Is a lemon _____ than an orange? — sourer / sourest
7. Friday is the _____ day of my week. — busier / busiest
8. This box is _____ than that one. — lighter / lightest

Answer Key

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1. Match the forms

- big → **biggest**
- happy → **happiest**
- small → **smallest**
- funny → **funniest**
- nice → **nicest**
- hot → **hottest**
- loud → **loudest**
- brave → **bravest**

2. Two or more?

1	The whale is the **biggest** animal in the ocean.	bigger	**biggest**
2	My dog is **louder** than my cat.	**louder**	loudest
3	That was the **funniest** joke I ever heard!	funnier	**funniest**
4	A river is **wider** than a stream.	**wider**	widest
5	Mount Everest is the **tallest** mountain on Earth.	taller	**tallest**
6	Is a lemon **sourer** than an orange?	**sourer**	sourest
7	Friday is the **busiest** day of my week.	busier	**busiest**
8	This box is **lighter** than that one.	**lighter**	lightest