

Adjectives with the suffixes

er and est

Adjectives with the suffixes er or est comparative and superlative adjectives.

Many of these adjectives can be made by adding the suffixes er or est.

But remember, some are much trickier!



small



smaller



smallest



great



greater



greatest



old



older



oldest

Words ending in e

Take the e off before adding er or est.

safe – safer – safest

large – larger – largest

wide – wider – widest

Words ending in y

Change y to i, then add er or est.

happy – happier – happiest

lucky – luckier – luckiest

greedy – greedier – greediest

Words ending in a vowel & consonant

Double the last consonant to keep the vowel short.

thin – thinner – thinnest

big – bigger – biggest

sad – sadder – saddest

