

SUPERLATIVES - PART 4

Using MOST + Irregular Adjectives

RULE 1: The superlative of adjectives that have three or more syllables is formed by placing 'the most' before the adjective.

EXAMPLE 1: RUNNERS



Claire is disciplined.



Callie is more disciplined.



Casey is the most disciplined.

EXAMPLE 2: LANGUAGES



English is difficult.



French is more difficult.



German is the most difficult.

EXAMPLE 3: DESSERTS



Chocolate is delicious.



Cake is more delicious.



Ice cream is the most delicious.

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RULE 2: The superlative of two-syllable adjectives that don't end in -y are less predictable. Some are formed with most, and some are formed with -est.

EXAMPLE 1: SPEAKERS



Fred is anxious.



Fay is more anxious.



Fenix is the most anxious.

EXAMPLE 2: ACHES



A sore throat is painful.



A headache is more painful.



A toothache is the most painful.

EXAMPLE 3: DECORATIONS



Heidi's decoration is simple.



Heather's decoration is simpler.



Hillary's decoration is the simplest.

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RULE 3:

Some adjectives have irregular comparative and superlative forms.

EXAMPLE 1: VEGETABLES



Broccoli is good.

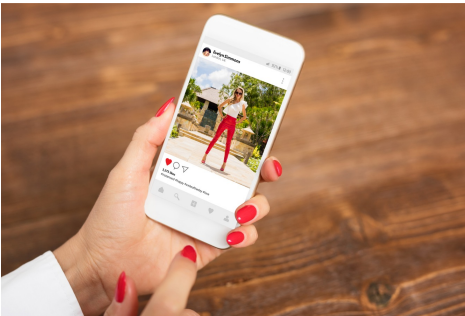


Carrots are better.



Spinach is the best.

EXAMPLE 2: HABITS



Scrolling is bad.



Overspending is worse.



Smoking is the worst.

EXAMPLE 3: PLACES



The river is far.



The mountain is farther.



The desert is the farthest.

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