## Degrees of Adjectives For Class 5

Adjectives are words that describe words in a noun phrase or an expression. Adjectives can also make comparisons between two or more people or things. In this topic, we will study the comparison of adjectives. The comparison of adjectives has been compared by the positive degree, comparative degree, and superlative degree.

## Positive degree

When we talk about one individual person or thing, we use a positive degree. These are some positive degrees.

1. Tall
2. Small
3. Big
4. Health
5. Fast
6. Narrow
7. Quietly
8. Far
9. Glad
10. Bad

## Examples:

1. Mayank is a tall boy.
2. She is wearing a beautiful dress.
3. Mira is an intelligent girl.
4. He is a great player.
5. He runs fast.
6. She is very loud.
7. Her house is near the clinic.
8. She is sitting quietly.
9. He is late for his school.
10. His school is far from his place.

## Comparative degree

When we compare something between two individuals or things we use comparative degree. These are some comparative degrees.

1. Bigger
2. Colder
3. Sweeter
4. Hotter
5. Smaller
6. Bigger
7. Tastier
8. More improvement
9. Nearer
10. Easier

## Examples:-

1. Sia is faster than her sister.
2. He works smarter than him.
3. Mira speaks louder than her friend.
4. Her house is nearer to the shop.
5. The juniors are sitting more quietly than the seniors.
6. Today's homework was easier than yesterday's homework.
7. Kiara is taller than me.
8. He always performs better in his exam.
9. Pranav is more friendly to him.
10. Her room was smaller than her friend's.

## Superlative degree

When we compare more than two people or things we use superlative degree. These are some superlative degrees.

1. Coldest
2. Worst
3. Most
4. Biggest
5. Most delicious
6. Sweetest
7. Latest
8. Best
9. Least
10. Oldest

## Examples:

1. Raghu runs fastest than all.
2. She is the richest of her friends.
3. My brother is the tallest in our house.
4. She speaks the loudest in the class.
5. Mayank is the bravest boy in our class.

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6. She prepares the most delicious fruit.
7. Peter is least bothered about him.
8. Reema gives her best in the exams.
9. Susan is one of my closest friends.
10. They complete the project in the easiest way.

## Formation of comparative and superlative

Read the tables given below.

1. Most of the adjectives of one syllable or more than that form comparative by adding 'er' and superlative by adding 'est' to the positive.

| Positive | Comparative | Superlative |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| great | greater | greatest |
| young | younger | youngest |
| clever | cleverer | cleverest |
| small | smaller | smallest |
| tall | taller | tallest |

2. When the adjective ends with $e$, only ' $r$ ' is added to the comparative and 'st' to the superlative.

| Positive | Comparative | Superlative |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| brave | braver | bravest |
| fine | finer | finest |
| large | larger | largest |
| wise | wiser | wisest |

able abler ablest
3. When the adjective ends with $y$, preceded by constant, the $y$ is changed into ' $i$ ' before 'er' is added to the comparative, and 'est' to the superlative.

| Positive | Comparitive | Superlative |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| heavy | heavier | heaviest |
| easy | easier | easiest |
| happy | happier | happiest |
| healthy | healthier | healthiest |
| pretty | preetier | prettiest |

4. When the positive adjective of one syllable ends in a single constant, preceded by a short vowel, the constant is double 'er' is added to the comparative, and 'est' to the superlative.

| Positive | Comparitive | Superlative |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Red | redder | reddest |
| sad | sadder | saddest |
| big | bigger | biggest |
| hot | hotter | hottest |

thin
thinner
thinnest
5. Adjectives of more than two syllables form the comparative and superlative by adding more and most before an adjective.

| Positive | Comparative | Superlative |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| delicious | more delicious | most delicious |
| beautiful | more beautiful | most beautiful |
| difficult | more difficult | most difficult |
| polite | more polite | most polite |
| courageous | more courageous | most corageous |

## Degrees of Adjectives Worksheet Class 5

## Exercise: 1

Fill in the blanks with the correct form of the degrees in the brackets.

1. My bicycle is $\qquad$ then yours but $\qquad$ then him. (big, small)
2. Priya is the $\qquad$ girl amongst her friends. (rich)
3. Tarun is the $\qquad$ boy in the class. (Intelligent)
4. My brother is $\qquad$ in our family. (young)
5. She speaks $\qquad$ in class. (Loud)
6. Her mother cooks $\qquad$ food than all. (tasty)
7. She carries a $\qquad$ box from the shop. (Big)She needs $\qquad$ to score good marks. (improvement)
8. The jewellery is $\qquad$ than yours. (Expensive)
9. He works $\qquad$ than his friends. (Smart)

Answers

1. Bigger, smaller
2. Richest
3. Most intelligent
4. Youngest
5. Loudest
6. Tastier
7. Biggest
8. More improvement
9. Most expensive
10. Smarter

## Exercise: 2

Fill in the blanks with the comparative degree in the brackets.

1. Reema is $\qquad$ than her sister. (happy)
2. He is $\qquad$ than his brother. (taller)
3. Mira is $\qquad$ than me and Sneha. (pretty)
4. His car is $\qquad$ than his cousin's. (big)
5. The homework is $\qquad$ then yesterday. (difficult)
6. The project is $\qquad$ profitable. (Less)
7. They perform $\qquad$ In their exam. (well)
8. The soup is $\qquad$ than the coffee. (hot)
9. He makes his room $\qquad$ than others. (messy)
10. Susan is my $\qquad$ sister. (old)

Answers

1. Happy
2. Taller
3. Prettier
4. Bigger
5. More difficult
6. Less
7. Better
8. Hotter
9. Messier
10. Elder

## Exercise: 3

Fill in the blanks with a superlative degree in the brackets.

1. Myra is the $\qquad$ girl. (talent)
2. He is $\qquad$ boy in the class. (smart)
3. They are having $\qquad$ experience then they ever had. (Bad)
4. He gives his $\qquad$ in the exams. (well)
5. The grocery shop is $\qquad$ in the street. (late)
6. Raghav is $\qquad$ concerned about his studies. (much)
7. They are $\qquad$ bothered about the project. (Little)
8. This watch is $\qquad$ in the market. (cheap)
9. Kiran is $\qquad$ girl in our class. (Intelligent)
10. It is the $\qquad$ way to solve the question. (Easy)

## Answers

1. Most talented
2. Smartest
3. Worst
4. Best
5. Last
6. Most
7. Least
8. Cheapest
9. Most intelligent
10. Easiest

## Exercise: 4

Fill in the blanks with the correct form of degree.
Positive Comparative Superlative
kind
happier
thin
thinnest
cleverest
beautiful
heaviest


## Answers

| Positive | Comparitive | superlative |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| kind | kinder | kindest |
| happy | happier | happiest |
| thin | thinner | thinnest |
| clever | cleverer | cleverest |
| beautiful | more beautiful | most beautiful |


| heavy | heavier | hotter |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| hot | less | least |
| many | more | last |
| much | more | most |
| many | more | most |
| difficult | more difficult | most difficult |
| young | younger | youngest |

## Irregular comparison

The adjectives are compared irregularly, that is the comparative degree and superlative degree are not formed by the positive degree.

| Postive | comparative | Superlative |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| good | better | best |
| bad | worse | worst |
| little | less | least |

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> many
more
most
late
later

## latest

## Transformation of degrees of comparisons

Now we will study the sentences and how the degree can be changed without changing the meaning. The transformation of degrees of comparisons where the sentences are changed without changing the meaning.

## Examples:-

1. He is the brave boy in the class.

He is bravest than all the boys in the class.
2. Sia is taller than Geeta.

Geeta is not taller than Sia.
3. Her performance is better than other girls.

Her performance is best than other girls.
4. Raghu is faster than his friend.

His friend is not fast as Raghu.
5. This building is taller than other buildings. This building is one of the tallest buildings.
6. Her room is messier than other rooms.

Her room is so messy than other rooms.
7. Emily is the most popular girl in our school. In our school, Emily is more popular than the other girls in the school.
8. Sumit is the tallest boy in his family.

Sumit is taller than all the other boys in the family.
9. Abhi is the most intelligent boy in the school.

Abhi is more intelligent than other boys in the school.
10. She performed better in the exams.

She performs best in the exams.
In the above sentences, you can see that the adjectives have been changed into a degree of comparison without changing the meaning of the sentence.

## Exercise:

Change the degree of comparison in each of the following sentences without changing the meaning.

1. Aditya is the fastest runner.
2. Jio is tall as her friend.
3. A box is not big as a table.
4. He is not good as his friend.
5. Reading is easier than learning.
6. Anushka is more intelligent than her friend.
7. Ajay is not as strong as Bheem.
8. Parul is smarter than Radha.
9. Rahul is not the richest as his friend.
10. The diamond is more attractive than gold.

## Answers

1. Aditya is a faster runner than others.
2. Her friend is not taller than Jia.
3. A Table is bigger than a box.
4. His friend is better than him.
5. Learning is not easy as reading.
6. Her friend is not more intelligent than Anushka.
7. Bheem is stronger than Ajay.
8. Radha is not smart as Parul.
9. His friend is richer than Pranav.
10. The gold is not as attractive as diamond.
