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Comparative and Superlative Adjectives and Adverbs

Focus

Rule

- A **comparative adjective** or **adverb** compares one person, thing, or action with another.
- A **superlative adjective** or **adverb** compares one person, thing, or action with several others.
- Most longer modifiers must be preceded by the word *more* or *most* instead of using the endings *-er* or *-est*.

Example

- I am *taller* now than I was two years ago.
- That is the *prettiest* painting in the museum.
- Tom was *more patient* than Jim. Kyra runs *most quickly*.

Practice

Choose the correct adjectives.

1. Cal is the (faster, fastest) runner on the track team.
2. The French test was (harder, hardest) than the social studies test.
3. I just heard the (more terrible, most terrible) news!

Choose the correct adverbs.

4. Tammy used the scissors (more carefully, most carefully).
5. Ralph examined the evidence (more closely, most closely) than I.
6. Which mason worked (better, best)?