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Comparatives and Superlatives

Focus

Rule

Example

- A **comparative adjective** or **adverb** compares one person, thing, or action with another.
 - I am **taller** now than I was two years ago.
- A **superlative adjective** or **adverb** compares one person, thing, or action with several others.
 - That is the **prettiest** painting in the museum.
- For most longer modifiers, use the word *more* for the comparative, or *most* for the superlative instead of the *-er* or *-est* endings.
 - Tom was **more patient** than Jim. Kyra runs the **most quickly**.

Practice

Complete the following chart by writing the missing base words, comparatives, or superlatives.

Base Word	Comparative	Superlative
proud	prouder	_____
acceptable	_____	most acceptable
_____	riskier	riskiest
good	better	_____
familiar	less familiar	_____
_____	livelier	liveliest
great	_____	greatest
common	_____	most common