

# Comparative Adjectives

What are comparative adjectives?

Comparative adjectives are used to clarify the difference between 2 objects/nouns. .

- Comparative adjectives are used to compare 2 nouns.
- To state that one noun has more of something than the 2nd noun.

Examples:

- The black dog is older than the white dog.
- My house is bigger than my sister's house.
- The yellow hat is more expansive than the green hat.

The Rules for using Comparative Adjectives

How to Use Comparative Adjectives		
"Than" is usually usually used after the comparative adjective.		
-er is added to the end of a 1-syllable adjective	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• cold - colder</li> <li>• small - smaller</li> <li>• tall - taller</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The winter is colder than the summer.</li> <li>• The green hat is smaller than the yellow hat.</li> <li>• Most basketball players are taller than me.</li> </ul>
-er is added to the end of an adjective with 2 syllables, if the word ends in -y.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• early - earlier</li> <li>• happy - happier</li> <li>• crazy - crazier</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I came home earlier than my sister.</li> <li>• I am happier now than 1 year ago.</li> <li>• My friend is crazier than me.</li> </ul>
"more" is used for words that have 2 syllables, if the word doesn't end in -y. adjectives that end in -y, change the -y to i and add -ed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• honest - more honest</li> <li>• difficult- more difficult</li> <li>• modern - more modern</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The policeman are more honest than criminals.</li> <li>• The last test was more difficult than the test today.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our generation is more modern, than our parents generation</li> </ul>
"more" is used for words that have 3 or more syllables	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• expensive - more expensive</li> <li>• difficult - more difficult</li> <li>• comfortable - more comfortable</li> </ul>	
<b>adjectives that end in -e, only -r is added to end of the adjective</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• nice -nicer</li> <li>• safe -safer</li> </ul>	
<b>adjective that end in a consonant, vowel, consonant - the last consonant is doubled</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• big -bigger</li> <li>• fat- fatter</li> <li>• hot -hotter</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• My house is bigger than, my sisters house.</li> <li>• My sister is fatter than me.</li> <li>• The summer is hotter than the winter.</li> </ul>