

# Fossilization Activity #2

## 5th Grade

### Focus:

### Comparative and Superlative Adjectives

### Examples of the error:

I am **responsibler** than you.

My house is **big** than yours.

My mom is the **most big** in the family.

Your dog is **biggest** than mine.

My school is the **bigger** in the whole town.

This is the **most bad** day I've ever had.

## Fossilization Activity

### Teacher Notes:

language learners can confuse how and when to use superlative and comparative adjectives. Students often say “most big” or “most pretty” instead of using the superlative adjectives.

**Comparative adjectives** are used to compare differences between two objects (nouns). Comparative adjectives usually end in “er” and are followed by “than.” If an adjective is more than 3 syllables then you add “more.” Ex: My sister is more responsible than me.”

Ex: My house is larger than your house. My dog is faster than your dog.

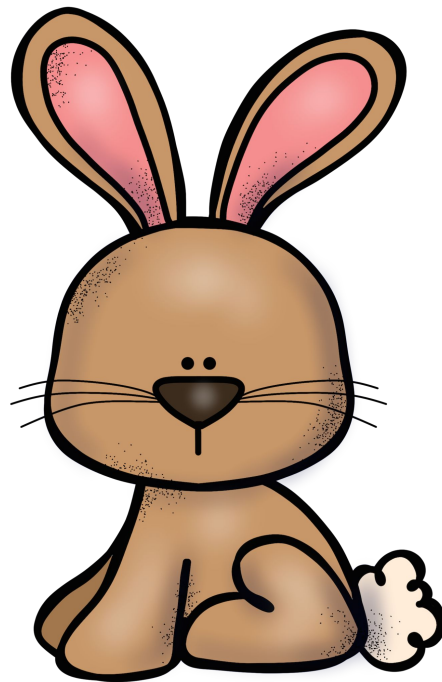
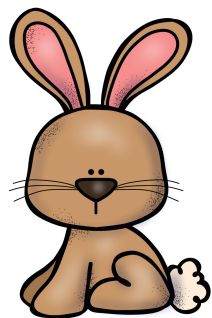
Noun (subject) + verb + superlative adjective + than + noun (noun)

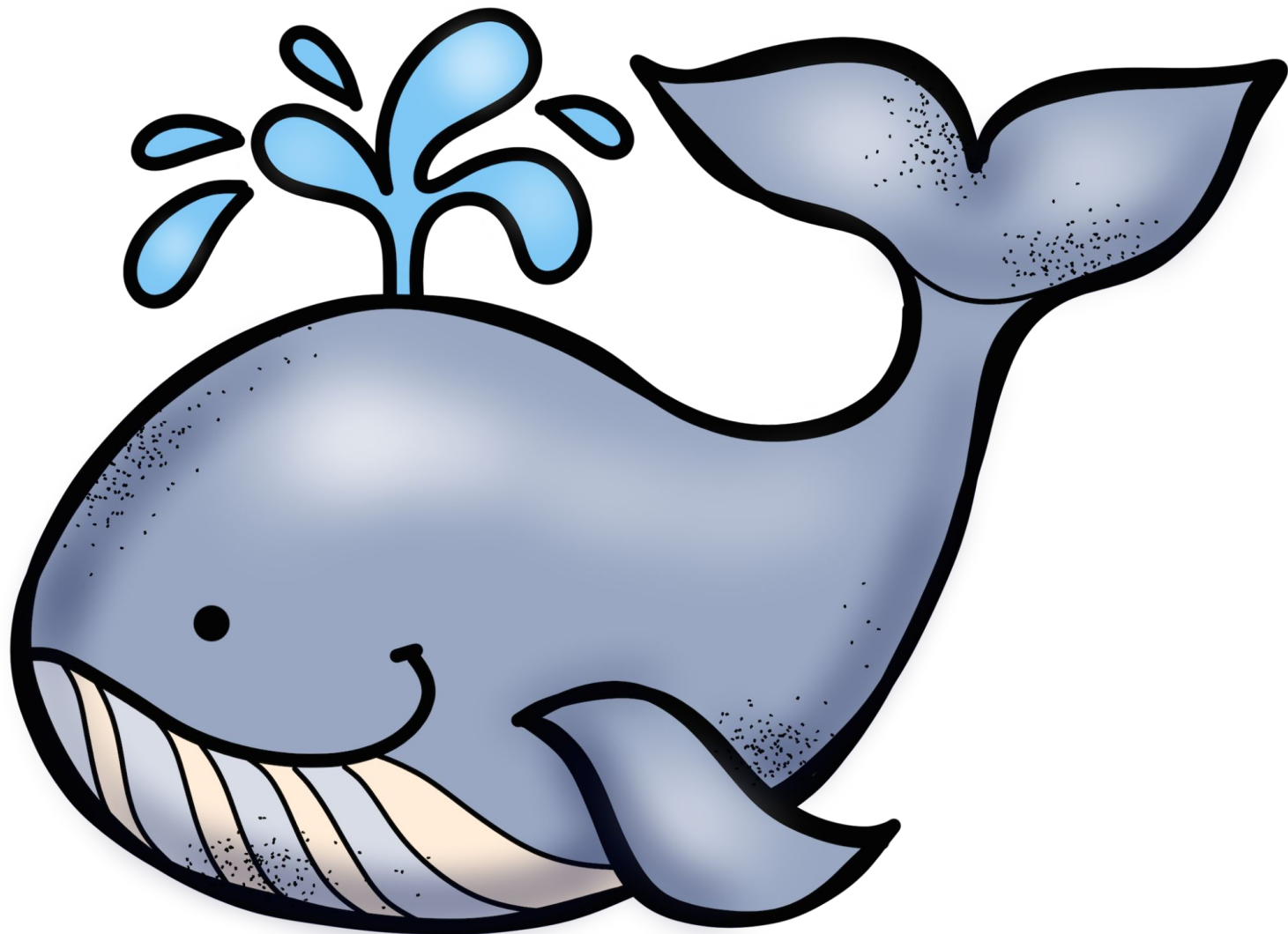
**Superlative Adjectives** are used to describe an object (noun) that is at the upper or lower limit of a quality. Superlative adjectives often end in “est.” Superlative adjectives are used when describing three or more objects. If an adjective is more than 3 syllables you add “most.” Ex: This pizza is the most delicious pizza in the world.”

Ex: My house is the largest in the neighborhood. That is the smallest dog I have ever seen.

### Instructions:

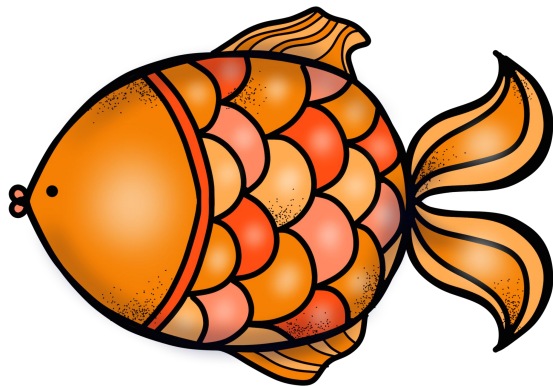
- 1) Show students the slide with two objects. Ask students to look at the objects and share one sentence comparing the objects. Write student responses on the board. Explain the comparative verb ending- *er*
- 2) Show students the picture of the whale. Explain that whale is the largest mammal in the world. Draw students attention to the ending -*est*
- 3) Introduce the poster. Explain the use of comparative and superlative adjectives (see teacher notes).
- 4) Show video about comparative adjectives: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o-9DmpXrygQ>
- 5) Show video about superlative adjectives: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K1Rs793CjqE>
- 6) Show students the chart.
- 7) Show students the images and have them raise their hand to share the word that is needed to complete each sentence.
- 8) Handout worksheet for students to complete independently



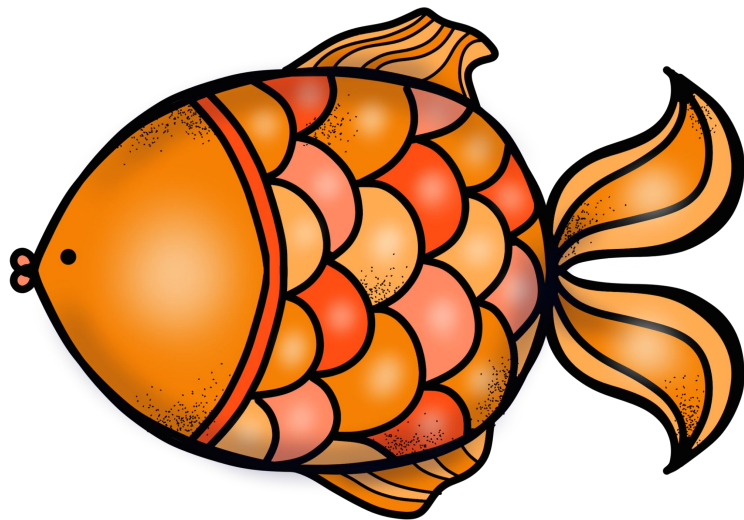


Adjective	Comparative adjective	Superlative Adjective	Irregular Comparative	Irregular Superlative
smart	smarter	smartest	Good- better	Good- best
big	bigger	biggest	Bad- worse	bad-worst
small	smaller	smallest	little-less	Little- least
cuter	cuter	cutest	much-more	much-most
high	higher	Highest		
Happy (when an adjective ends in a y, change the y to i and and er)	Happier	happiest		
tiny	tinier	Tiniest		
Important (if an adjective as 3 or more syllables than you add more or most in front of it)	More important	Most important		

Fish A is \_\_\_\_\_ than fish B.

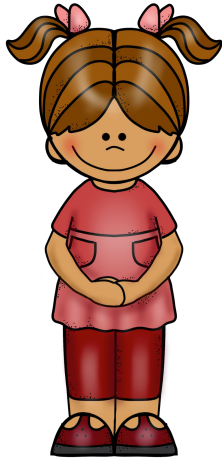
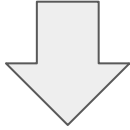


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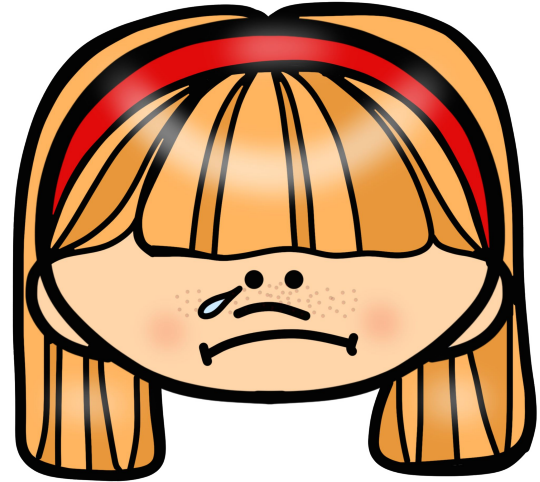
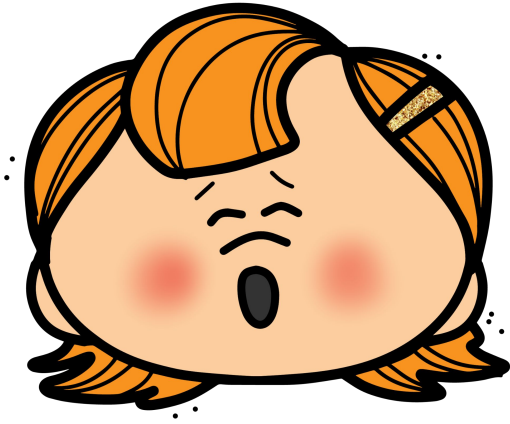


B

She is the \_\_\_\_\_ girl in the class.

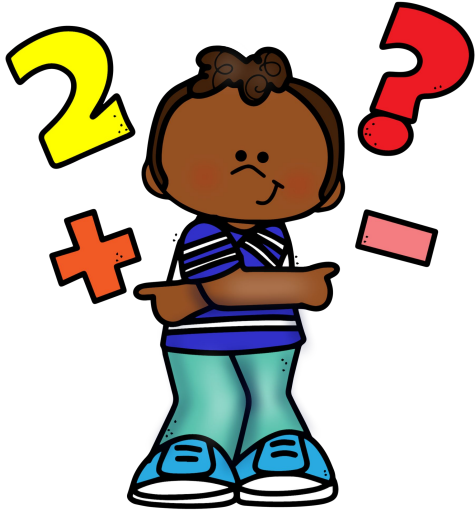


She is the \_\_\_\_\_ student in the class.

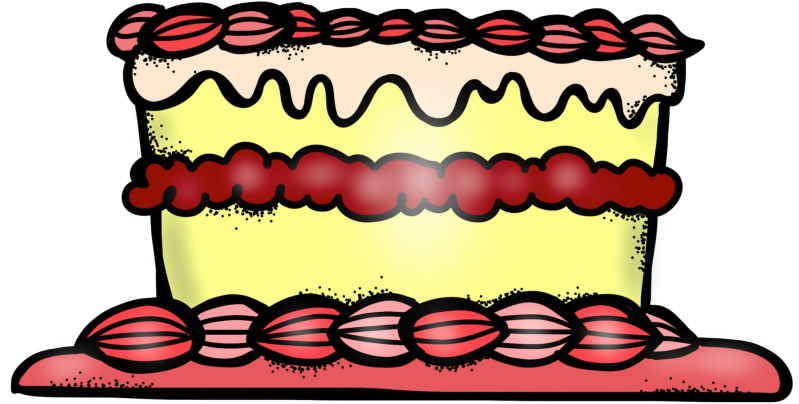




Math is the \_\_\_\_\_ subject in school.



Cupcakes are \_\_\_\_\_ than cake.



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Fill in the chart with the correct comparative and superlative adjectives

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
big		
good		
Delicious		

Directions: Write the correct form of the adjective on the line.

1. My sister is the \_\_\_\_\_ girl in the world.

(beautiful)

2. I want to ride the \_\_\_\_\_ roller coaster at the fair.

(fast)

3. My car is \_\_\_\_\_ than your car.

(clean)

