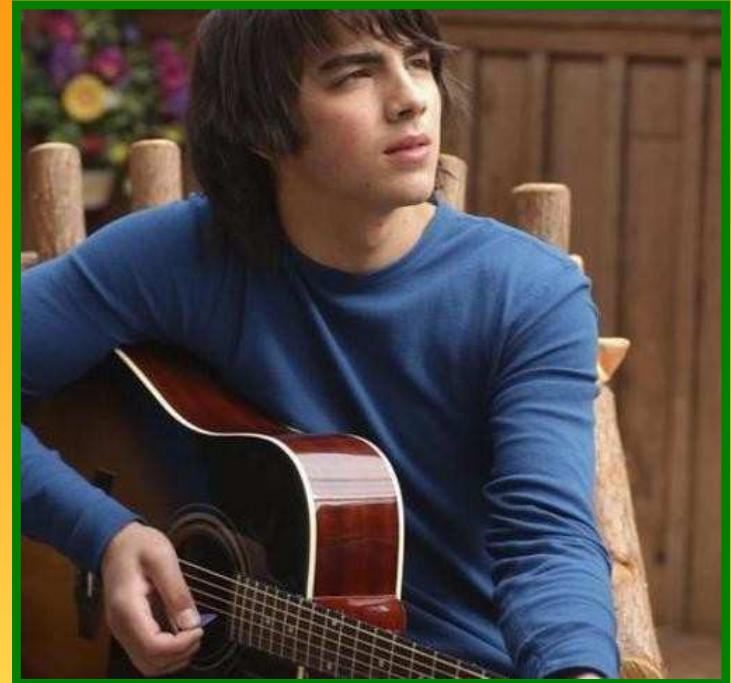




DOTA is **funnier than** Audition!





Justin Bieber is
more handsome than
Joe Jonas



Titanic is
the longest
movie I've seen.



Mario Galaxy is
the best
videogame I have
played.



Comparatives and Superlatives

Comparatives and ***Superlatives*** are special forms of adjectives. They are used to **compare** two or more things.

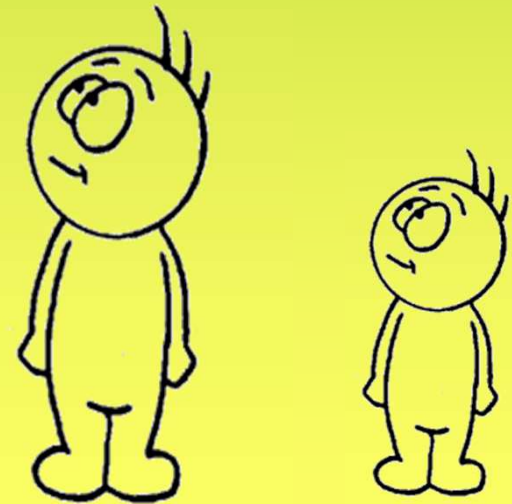
Generally,
comparatives are formed using **-er** and
superlatives are formed using **-est**.

USE OF COMPARATIVES

Comparatives are used to compare two things. You can use sentences with "**than**", or you can use a conjunction like "**but**".

a) Michael is taller **than** John.

b) John is tall, **but** Michael is taller.



Michael

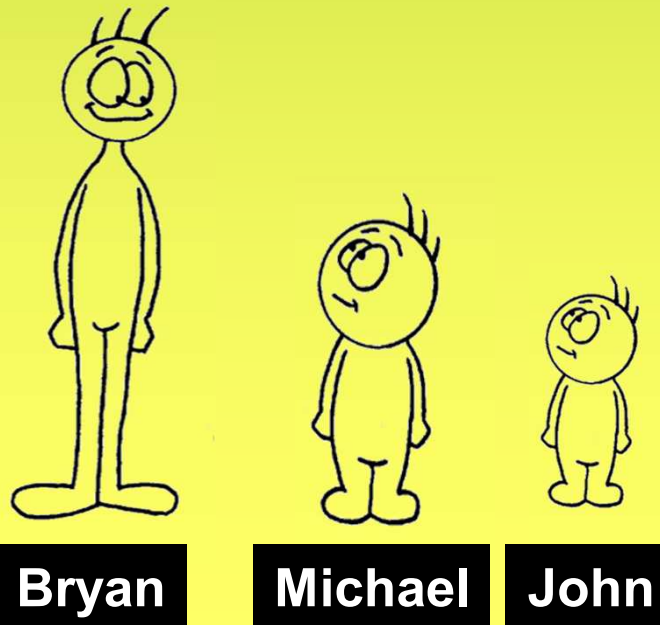
John

USE OF SUPERLATIVES

Superlatives are used to compare more than two things. Superlative sentences usually use “**the**”, because **there is only one superlative**.

a) Bryan is **the** tallest in the class.

b) John is tall, and Michael is taller, but Bryan is **the** tallest.



| Adjective form | Comparative | Superlative |
|--|--|--|
| Only one syllable, ending in E. Examples: wide, fine, cute | Add -r: wider, finer, cuter | Add -st: widest, finest, cutest |
| Only one syllable, with one vowel and one consonant at the end. Examples: hot, big, fat | Double the consonant, and add -er: hotter, bigger, fatter | Double the consonant, and add -est: hottest, biggest, fattest |
| Only one syllable, with more than one vowel or more than one consonant at the end. Examples: light, neat, fast | Add -er: lighter, neater, faster | Add -est: lightest, neatest, fastest |
| Two syllables, ending in Y. Examples: happy, silly, lonely | Change y to i, then add -er: happier, sillier, lonelier | Change y to i, then add -est: happiest, silliest, loneliest |
| Two syllables or more, not ending in Y. Examples: modern, interesting, beautiful | Use “more” before the adjective: more modern, more interesting, more beautiful | Use “most” before the adjective: most modern, most interesting, most beautiful |

Irregular adjectives like good or bad change the spelling:

a) Good

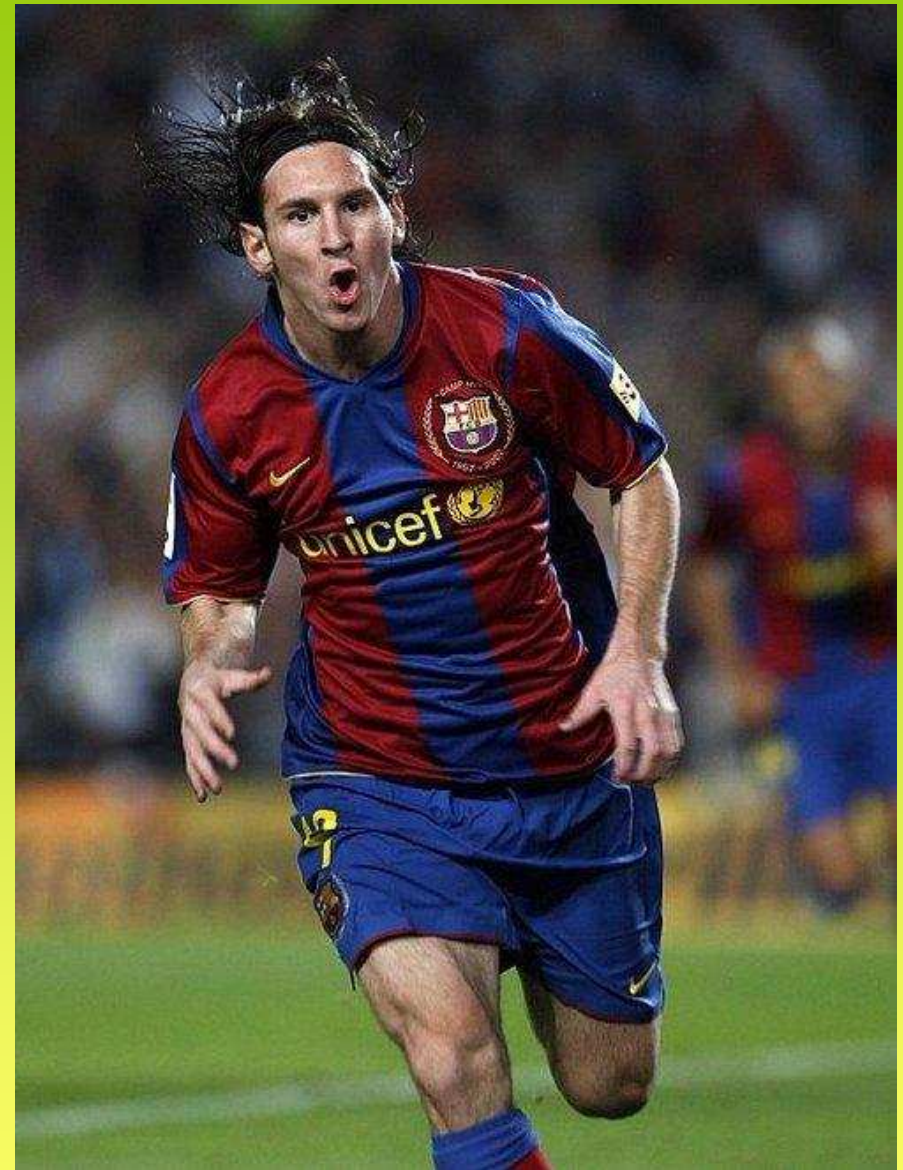
Comparative: better than

Superlative: the best

b) Bad

Comparative: worse than

Superlative: the worst



short - tall - fast - slow - talented - good - handsome - ugly - selfish



short - tall - popular - old - young - talented - good - beautiful - glamorous



new - old - popular - fun - boring - good - bad - violent - addictive