**Comparison**

**Theorie**

**Steigerung mit -er/-est**

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|  | Adjektiv | Komparativ | Superlativ |
| alle einsilbigen Adjektive | clean | cleaner | (the) cleanest |
| zweisilbige Adjektive, die auf *y* oder *er* enden | easy  clever | easier  cleverer | easiest  cleverest |

*Ausnahmen:*

stummes *e* am Ende entfällt Beispiel: late-later-latest

*y* am Ende wird zu *i* Beispiel: easy-easier-easiest

Konsonant nach kurzem, betontem Vokal wird verdoppelt Beispiel: hot-hotter-hottest

**Steigerung mit *more* – *most***

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|  | Adjektiv | Komparativ | Superlativ |
| alle mehrsilbigen Adjektive  (außer zweisilbige auf *-y* / *-er*) | difficult | more difficult | most difficult |

**Unregelmäßige Steigerung von Adjektiven**

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| Adjektiv | Komparativ | Superlativ |
| good |  |  |
| bad |  |  |
| little (wenig) |  |  |
| little (klein) |  |  |
| much / many |  |  |

**A: Fill in the adjectives in the correct form.**

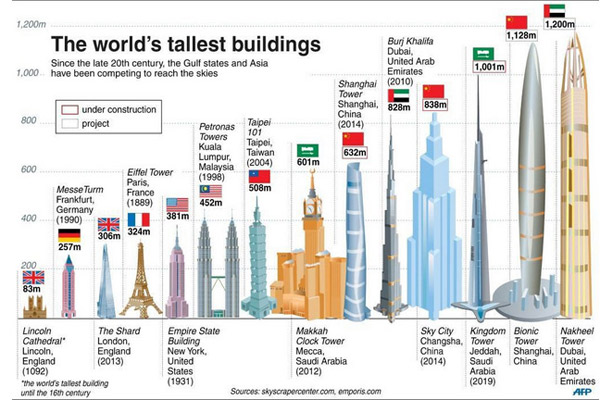
**New York City** is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(large) [city](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/City) in the [United States](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_States). The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (old) part of the city, the island of [Manhattan](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Manhattan), still has its original [Lenape](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lenape) [Native American](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Native_American) name. Most of New York City is situated on three islands near the [Atlantic Ocean](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Atlantic_Ocean), and one part is on the mainland of [North America](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/North_America). The city includes the 3 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (large) islands : [Manhattan Island](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Manhattan), [Staten Island](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Staten_Island) and the western end of [Long Island](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Long_Island). There are also many \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (small) islands.

In New York City there are about 5600 skyscrapers. 48 of them are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (tall) than 200 metres, which is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (high) number of skyscrapers in one area in the world.

Subway transportation is provided by the [New York City Subway](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/New_York_City_Subway) system, one of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (big) in the world. [Pennsylvania Station](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pennsylvania_Station), the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (busy) [train station](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Train_station) in the United States, is here, too.

[John F. Kennedy International Airport](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/John_F._Kennedy_International_Airport), which is in the [Queens](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Queens) neighbourhood of New York, is one of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (busy) [airports](http://simple.wikipedia.org/wiki/Airport) in the United States.

**B: Choose three buildings and compare them. Use the adjectives *tall, modern, high, interesting and beautiful*:**



The Eiffel Tower is big. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

The Empire State Building is bigger. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

*Burj Khalifa is the biggest. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.*

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**C: Look at these records and fill in the correct adjectives.**

*Source: Non Stop English, Zürcher Lehrmittelverlag*

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_ woman is 59 cm.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* man is 2.72 metres.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* man is 114 years old.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* man is 538 kilos.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* number of children (one mother) is 69.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* woman is Angelia Jolie.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* garage is for 9250 cars.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* station is on 4766 metres.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* student makes a 6 in every test.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* hotel has 3200 rooms.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* train is 6 kilometres.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* Swiss is 213 cm.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* hair is 792 cm.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* animal is a worm of 54 metres.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* perfume is 160.-/gramm.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* car is a Cadillac of 21.93 metres.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* bicycle is 22.24 metres.

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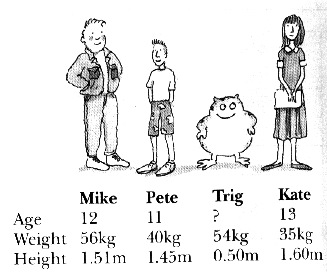
The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* river in Europe is the Wolga (2688 km)

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* bird is the ostrich (Strauss)

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* baby was 57 kilos at the age of nine month.

The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_* animal is a falcon. It’s top speed is 350 km/h.

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| **Do you want help? Here are the adjectives, which you have to put in the gaps.**  fast tall long heavy  high beautiful large big  intelligent old expensive small |

**D: Write sentences about the four people in the picture. Check the example first.**

e.g. Mike & Kate, age

*Mike is younger than Kate\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

1. Kate & Pete, age

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2. Kate & Pete, weight

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3. Trig & Mike, height

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4. Kate & Trig, height

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**Solution:**

1. Kate is older than Pete

2. Kate is lighter than Pete

3. Trig is shorter than Mike

4. Kate is taller than Trig

**E: Fill in the gaps with the correct form of comparison.**

1. Nadine’s bag isn’t very big. She wants a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ bag.   
2. This house isn’t very modern. I like \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ houses.   
3. Miss Forrer isn’t very tall. Mister Ackermann is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .  
4. Jean-Mathieu doesn’t work very hard. Sania works \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.   
5. The weather in Malans is not very beautiful. In Hawaii, it is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .   
6. Gian’s idea wasn’t very good. Fadri’s idea was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .  
7. Giulia is not very interested in cooking. She’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in dancing.   
8. It isn’t very warm today. Yesterday it was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

**F: Fill in the correct form of the words in brackets (comparative or superlative).**

1. This flower is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than that one. (beautiful)
2. This is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ book I have ever read. (interesting)
3. Which is the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ animal in the world? (dangerous)
4. The weather this summer is even \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than last summer. (bad)
5. Bikes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ are than cars. (cheap)
6. January is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than June. (cold)
7. Sue is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ at English than her friend. (good)
8. My shirt is than \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ hers. (colourful)
9. Alan's eyes are\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than Peter's. (big)
10. Mount Everest is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than K2. (high)
11. Paula's hair is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than Martha's. (long)
12. Elephants are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than giraffes. (heavy)

**G: Which word is missing? Chose one and write it in the gaps.**

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| Which girl is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? Dana or Karen?    *young, the youngest, younger, more young* | Indian cooking has some of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_dishes in the world.  *hot, the hottest, the hotter, hottest* |
| Tomer is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ boy in the class.  *the strongest, stronger , strong, the most strong* | That is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ song this band has.  *the most beautiful, more beautiful, beautiful* |
| The China Wall is \_\_\_\_\_ wall in the world.  *the longest, more long, longer, long* | Cities are \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than villages.  *Busier, busy, the busiest, most busy* |
| February is \_\_\_\_\_\_ than April.  *short, the shortest, shorter, most short* | Bill Gates is one of  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people in the world.  *the rich, richer, rich, the richest* |
| I am \_\_\_\_\_\_ at music than my old sister.  *good, better, goodest, the best* | Garfield is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than Nemo.  *the funniest, more funny, funnier, the funniest* |

**H : Compare the following people. Write sentences using the adjectives in the box.**

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| **Bob** | **Homer** | **Alice** |
| 28 years old | 39 years old | 9 years old |
| 55 kilos | 80 kilos | 33 kilos |
| 1.55 mt | 1.55 mt | 1.20 mt |

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| *young old ugly beautiful intelligent tall long* |
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