

I can use regular and irregular adjectives to compare (Standard English). ①

Adjectives can be used to compare **two** things.
 They can tell you if something is bigger, better or faster than another thing.
 They can also tell you if something is the biggest, best or fastest within a **group** of things.

Most adjectives to compare two things are formed by adding **er**, but there are exceptions to the rule.

Words of two syllables not ending in **y** need the word **more** inserted before the adjective.
 The young prince is **more** charming than his older brother.

Words of three syllables or more also need the word **more** inserted before the adjective.
 The young princess wore a **more** beautiful dress than her older sister.

Most adjectives to compare three or more things are formed by adding **est**, but the same rules apply as for adjectives to compare two things.

If the word is two syllables and does not end in **y** then insert **most** before the adjective. The young prince is the **most** charming prince in the kingdom.

If the word is three syllables or more then insert **most** before the adjective.
 The young princess wore the **most** beautiful dress at the ball.



However, there are some adjectives where either **er** or **more** is used to compare two things.
 There are some adjectives where either **est** or **most** is used to compare three or more things.

What would you use?

Comparing two things

Comparing three or more things

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| ① clever | | |
| ② gentle | | |
| ③ narrow | | |
| ④ polite | | |
| ⑤ quiet | | |
| ⑥ simple | | |
| ⑦ friendly | | |
| ⑧ handsome | | |