

FUMC ESL 11-11-2013 High Intermediate Lesson

REVIEW: Some of these sentences are incorrect because they have a “the” when they should not OR they don’t have “the” when they should. If the sentence is incorrect, correct it by adding “the”. If it is correct, put a check beside it.

- 1.She’s looking for the love in all the wrong places.
- 2.The wealth doesn’t always bring happiness.
- 3.They want the freedom, but they also want security.
- 4.All he needed was the love of a good woman.
- 5.He enjoyed the freedom to work at home some of the time.
- 6.She’s on phone with her husband.
- 7.Ask librarian for help.
- 8.When does mail come?
- 9.George can’t hear you he is in kitchen.
- 10.Ecuador lies near the equator.
- 11.Raccoons are native to North America.
- 12.It’s tradition practiced by some Native American tribes.
- 13.Smith’s are coming for dinner.
- 14.There were many race riots in 1960’s
- 15.He was first person to be selected.

Comparative and Superlative Adjectives

Many adjectives have a comparative and superlative form.

Use comparative when you are talking about the better of two things. Use superlative when you are talking about the best of three or more things.

Example: Billy is short. Joey is shorter than Billy. Jeff is the shortest of all the boys.

You form the comparative of one syllable words by adding “er” to the word (or est for superlative)

Ex: taller, brighter, longer, faster -----tallest, brightest, longest, fastest

If the one syllable word ends in a consonant with a vowel before it, double the final consonant before adding er. Ex: fatter, bigger, thinner---fattest, biggest, thinnest.

You form the comparative of two syllable words ending in “y”, by removing the “y” and adding “ier” (iest for superlative).

Ex: happier, angrier, busier---happiest, angriest, busiest

Other two syllable words make the comparative and superlative form by adding “more” or “most” or “less” or “least” before the word.

Ex: more intelligent, more important, more generous---most intelligent, most important, most generous
less surprising, less handsome---least surprising, least handsome

We never say “funner” or “funnest”. We say more fun and most fun.

Some words have a different comparative and superlative form.

good	better	best
bad	worse	worst
little	less	least

many	more	most
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Write two sentences, one comparative and one superlative for each adjective below. The first one is done for you.

quiet: Our daughters are quieter than our son. My youngest daughter is the quietest child in the family.

sad:

greedy:

good:

healthy:

few:

dry:

heavy:

simple: