

# The positive, comparative and superlative degrees

An adjective can exist in three forms – positive, comparative and superlative. The positive form is the base form of the adjective. The comparative form expresses a higher degree of some quality. The superlative form expresses the highest degree.

Fill in the blanks with the comparative or superlative form of the adjective given in the brackets.

1. How is your mother today? Is she any  
.....?

good  
better  
best

2. In India May is ..... than June.

hot  
hotter  
hottest

3. Julie is ..... than her sister.

pretty  
prettier  
prettiest

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4. Who is the ..... girl in your class?

beautiful  
most beautiful  
more beautiful

5. Which is the ..... of all metals.

precious  
more precious  
most precious

6. Her husband is ten years  
..... than her.

old  
older  
oldest

7. All of us are bad singers, but I sing the  
..... of all.

bad  
worse  
worst

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8. I think you require a ..... diet.

nutritious  
more nutritious  
most nutritious

9. Which is the ..... part of India?

dry  
drier  
driest

10. It was the ..... moment of my life.

proud  
prouder  
proudest

## Answers

1. Is she any better?
2. In India May is hotter than June.
3. Julie is prettier than her sister.

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4. Who is the most beautiful girl in your class?
5. Which is the most precious of all metals?
6. Her husband is ten years older than her.
7. All of us are bad singers, but I sing the worst of all.
8. I think you require a more nutritious diet.
9. Which is the driest part of India?
10. It was the proudest moment of my life.

## Notes

The comparative adjective is usually followed by the preposition than. The superlative adjective should be used with the article the.