



Comparative Rules

Review the rules and fill in the blanks to complete the comparative form column.

Rule	Adjective / Adverb	Comparative Form
1) One syllable + er	Fast Hard	_____ _____
2) Ending in -e + r	Simple Late	_____ _____
3) Ending in -y Bye -y; + ier	Heavy Easy	_____ _____
4) Ending in CVC* Double final C + er	<u>Thin</u> <u>Big</u>	_____ _____
5) Ending in CVC* (Final C: W or X) + er	<u>Slow</u> <u>Lax</u>	_____ _____
6) Long Adjective / Adverb More + long adjective/adverb	Quickly Expensive	_____ _____
7) Two syllables More + adjective/adverb or + er	Clever Gentle	_____ _____
8) Exceptions	<u>Good/Well</u> <u>Bad</u> <u>Far</u> <u>Little</u> <u>Many/Much</u>	_____ _____ _____

*CVC = consonant-vowel-consonant

Answers

Rule	Adjective / Adverb	Comparative Form
1) One syllable + er	Fast Hard	Faster Harder
2) Ending in -e + r	Simple Late	Simpler Later
3) Ending in -y Bye -y; + ier	Heavy Easy	Heavier Easier
4) Ending in CVC* Double final C + er	<u>Thin</u> <u>Big</u>	Thinner Bigger
5) Ending in CVC* (Final C: W or X) + er	<u>Slow</u> <u>Lax</u>	Slower Laxer
6) Long Adjective / Adverb More + long adjective/adverb	Quickly Expensive	More quickly More expensive
7) Two syllables More + adjective/adverb or + er	Clever Gentle	More clever or Cleverer More gentle or Gentler
8) Exceptions	<u>Good/Well</u> <u>Bad</u> <u>Far</u> <u>Little</u> <u>Many/Much</u>	Better Worse Farther/Further Less More
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