

Year 2

Suffixes - er -est

Suffixes are letters that you add on to the end of words to change their meanings. Most words you can just add **er** and **est** to. The rules below will show you some exceptions.

Rules:

If a word ends in a **y**, you drop the **y** and add **i** (happy - happier happiest)

If a word ends in an **e**, replace it with **er/est** (late - later latest)

If a word ends in a **short vowel and consonant**, double the **consonant** (big - bigger biggest)

Activity 1: Add the suffix.

slow - _____

bright - _____

large - _____

greedy - _____

easy - _____

simple - _____

Activity 2: Circle the word that has used the suffix correctly.

hot:

hoter

hotter

hotier

smart:

smartest

smartiest

smarest

brave:

braveer

bravr

braver

sunny:

sunnest

sunniest

sunnyest

Activity 3:

Fill in the missing word with an appropriate **er/est** suffix so that the sentence makes sense.

Sam was _____ than his sister.

The giant was the _____ giant in town.

I am the _____ in my class.

Challenge:

Write some sentences using **er/est** suffixes to compare yourself and other members of your household.

E.g. My dog is the fastest runner in my house.

My sister is older than me because she is 10 years old.
