More or Most?

Sort adjectives by what they compare.

3.LU.1.C "Form and use comparative and superlative adjectives when speaking and writing."

NAME _____ DATE _____

COMPARATIVE

Use a comparative adjective to compare two things. It often ends in -er or uses more.

A snail is slower than a rabbit.

SUPERLATIVE

Use a superlative adjective to compare three or more things. It often ends in -est or uses most.

Mount Everest is the tallest mountain on Earth.

1 SORT

8 items

Circle MORE or MOST for each sentence, then pick two items and write how you knew.

1. The blue kite is higher than the red kite. MORE MOST

2. Our path is muddier than the sidewalk. MORE MOST

3. Mia has the smallest shell in her collection. MORE MOST

4. A lemon is more sour than an orange. MORE MOST

5. Jay is the fastest runner on the team. MORE MOST

6. This was the funniest joke in the book. MORE MOST

7. The baby bear is sleepier than its brother. MORE MOST

8. That was the most exciting ride at the fair. MORE MOST

2 PROVE IT

Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

3 MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

Write one new sentence for MORE and one new sentence for MOST.

MORE _____

MOST _____

CHALLENGE

Write two sentences about the same three animals. Use MORE in one sentence and MOST in the other.

ANSWER KEY

More or Most?

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PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	The blue kite is higher than the red kite.	**MORE**	Higher compares two kites.
2	Our path is muddier than the sidewalk.	**MORE**	Muddier compares two places.
3	Mia has the smallest shell in her collection.	**MOST**	Smallest shows one shell compared with all the shells in the collection.
4	A lemon is more sour than an orange.	**MORE**	More sour compares two fruits.
5	Jay is the fastest runner on the team.	**MOST**	Fastest shows one runner compared with the whole team.
6	This was the funniest joke in the book.	**MOST**	Funniest shows one joke compared with all the jokes in the book.
7	The baby bear is sleepier than its brother.	**MORE**	Sleepier compares two bears.
8	That was the most exciting ride at the fair.	**MOST**	Most exciting shows one ride compared with all the rides at the fair.

PART 2 · PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 · MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **MORE**: My backpack is heavier than my lunch box.
- **MOST**: A cheetah is the fastest animal on land.

Challenge: A lion is heavier than a cheetah. An elephant is the heaviest of the three animals.

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item. For Part 2, accept explanations that identify two things for MORE or three or more things for MOST. Accept correct comparative and superlative forms that match the student's sentences.