### **Review Making Comparisons**

Comparative adjectives are used to compare two things.

Superlative adjectives are used to compare more than two things.

With long adjectives, use *more* to compare two persons, places, or things. Use *most* to compare three or more.

Some adjectives like *good* and *bad* need to change forms when they are used to compare things.

Complete the sentence by writing the correct form of the adjective shown in parentheses.

<b>1.</b> The		/ 1 \
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- 2. The Dead Sea is much \_\_\_\_\_\_ than the Mediterranean Sea. (shallow)
- 3. The Dead Sea is the \_\_\_\_\_\_ body of water in the world. (salty)
- 4. The Carribbean Sea is much \_\_\_\_\_\_ than the Arctic Ocean. (warm)
- **5.** The weather during the second week was \_\_\_\_\_\_ than the first week. (good)
- Revisit a piece of your writing. Edit the draft to make sure that you are writing comparative adjectives correctly.

## Comparing with Good and Bad

Some adjectives need to change forms when they are used to compare things. The adjectives *good* and *bad* are two examples.

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
Good	Better	Best
Bad	Worse	Worst

Winning third place is <u>good</u>. Coming in second is <u>better</u>. Winning first prize is <u>best!</u>

- Complete each sentence by writing the correct form of the adjective shown in parentheses.
  - 1. My mom says that reading is a \_\_\_\_\_\_ way to spend your time than playing video games. (good)
  - 2. Chicago deep-dish is the \_\_\_\_\_\_ type of pizza! (good)
  - **3.** Not doing your homework is \_\_\_\_\_ than forgetting it at home. (bad)
  - **4.** Having the stomach flu is the \_\_\_\_\_ way to spend your birthday. (bad)
  - 5. Since she went to the doctor, her symptoms are \_\_\_\_\_\_ (good)
- Revisit a piece of your writing. Edit the draft to make sure that you are making comparisons with *good* and *bad* correctly.

# Making Comparisons with More and Most

With long adjectives, use *more* to compare two persons, places, or things. Use *most* to compare three or more.

The monarch butterfy is <u>more colorful</u> than the moth. The parrot is the <u>most colorful</u> bird in the jungle.

- Complete each sentence, adding either more or most to the adjective in parentheses.
  - **1.** The \_\_\_\_\_ movies are about things you wouldn't expect. (interesting)
  - **2.** The \_\_\_\_\_ dress in the store is the one in the corner with red beads. (elegant)
  - 3. The small screwdriver is \_\_\_\_\_\_ than the large one. (useful)
  - **4.** The green ski jacket is \_\_\_\_\_\_ than the white jacket, against the snow. (visible)
  - **5.** The icy driving conditions are the \_\_\_\_\_\_ part of the snowstorm. (dangerous)
- Revisit a piece of your writing. Edit the draft to make sure that you are writing comparisons with *more* and *most* correctly.

## **Making Comparisons**

**Comparative adjectives** are used to compare two things. **Superlative adjectives** are used to compare more than two things.

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
fast	faster	fastest
smart	smarter	smartest
cold	colder	coldest
sad	sadder	saddest

A zebra is faster than a turtle.

A cheetah is the fastest animal.

Circle the correct form of the adjective to complete each sentence. Write C if the adjective is the comparative form. Write S if the adjective is the superlative form.

- 1. Sarah is (short, shorter) than her sister.
- 2. Jean's hands are (colder, coldest) than Maya's.
- 3. The snow at the hill is (deep, deeper) than the snow in our backyard.
- 4. Colorado has the (deeper, deepest) snow.
- 5. That was the (sadder, saddest) movie I have ever seen.

Revisit a piece of your writing. Edit the draft to make sure that you are making comparisons correctly.

#### **Connect to Writing: Using Comparisons**

Read the selection and choose the best answer to each question.

Sam wrote the following paragraph about the geography unit his class just completed. Read his paragraph and look for revisions he should make. Then answer the questions that follow.

- (1) Of the seven continents on Earth, Asia is the larger. (2) South America is slightly smaller than North America. (3) Asia is more populous than South America. (4) The biggest desert in the world is in Africa. (5) Flying is a better way to travel across Asia than driving.
- 1. Which statement is not written correctly?
  - A. Of the seven continents on Earth, Asia is the larger.
  - B. South America is slightly smaller than North America.
  - C. Asia is more populous than South America.
  - **D.** Flying is a better way to travel across Asia than driving.
- 2. Which sentence correctly uses a superlative adjective?
  - A. Asia is more populous than South America.
  - **B.** South America is slightly smaller than North America.
  - C. The biggest desert in the world is in Africa.
  - **D.** Flying is a better way to travel across Asia than driving.

Where would you like to visit? Write a few sentences about what you would					
expect to see, usin	g comparative and	superlative ad	jectives.		
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