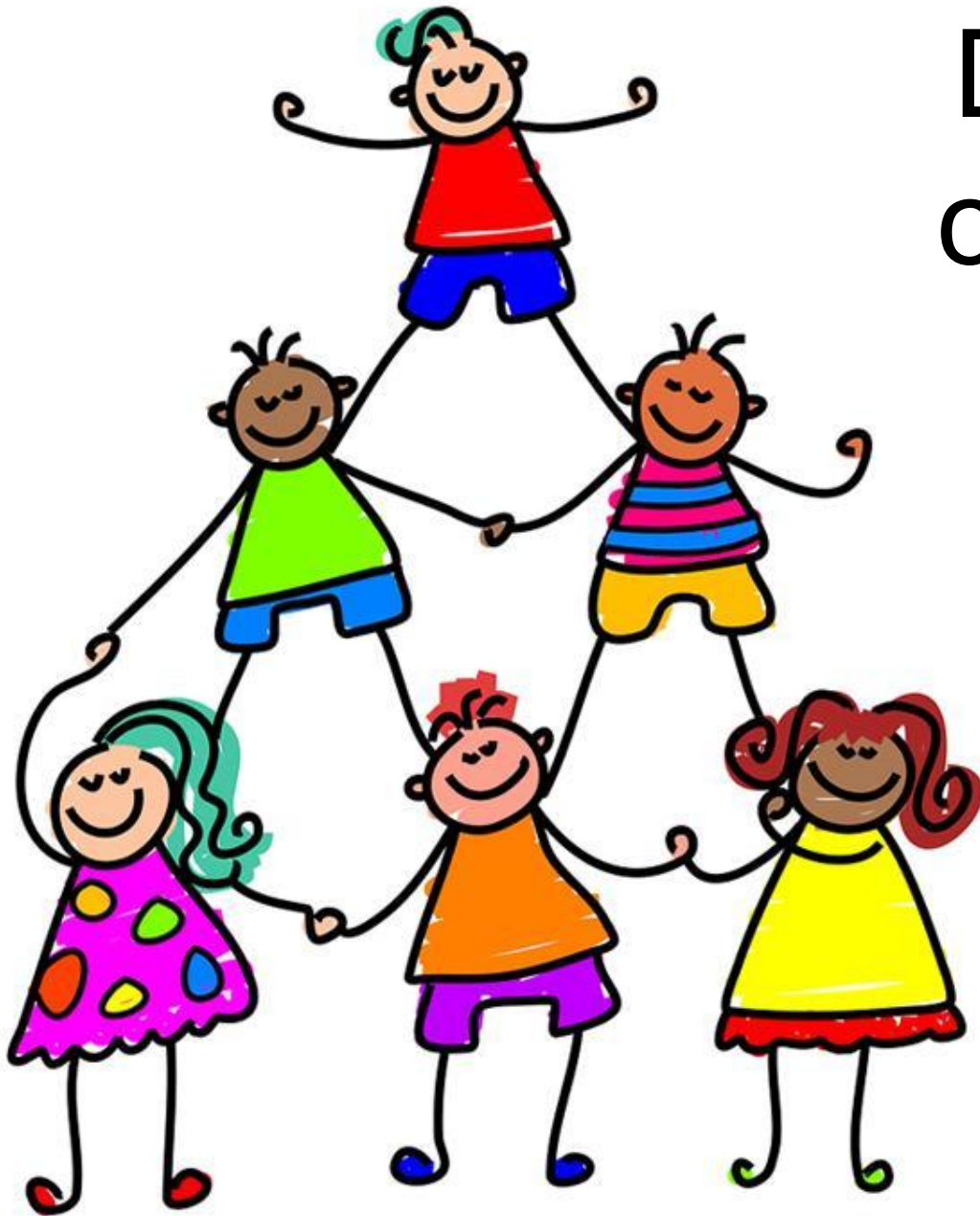


Degrees of comparison





GENERAL RULES

a. Short words (1 syllable or two syllables)

Positive

Comparative

Superlative

- near near(er) (the) near(est)
- tall tall(er) (the) tall(est)

Adj. + er

The + Adj. + est



b. Long words (3 or more syllables)

Positive

- Expensive
- Beautiful

Comparative

more expensive
more beautiful



More + Adj.

Superlative

the most expensive
the most beautiful



The + most + Adj.





c. Adjectives ending in *-er, -y, -ow* or *-le*

Positive

Comparative

Superlative

- simple simpler the simplest
- busy busier the busiest





d. Irregular comparatives and superlatives

Positive

Comparative

Superlative

- Good better the best
- Bad worse the worst
- Far further the furthest



LET'S CHECK





| No | Positive | Comparative | Superlative |
|-----|-----------|-------------|-------------|
| 1. | Early | | |
| 2. | Easy | | |
| 3. | Smart | | |
| 4. | Large | | |
| 5. | Dangerous | | |
| 6. | diligent | | |
| 7. | Busy | | |
| 8. | Difficult | | |
| 9. | Young | | |
| 10. | Beautiful | | |





1. Your bag is (light) than mine.

2. Its (difficult) rule of all.

3. This pen writes..... (good) than my previous one.

4. This athlete is (strong) than his competitor.

5. This pupil is (clever) in the class.





6. This is (old) castle in Britain.

7. Health is (important) than money.

8. This path is (narrow) than the parallel one.

9. Kenyans are (good) sprinters.

10. Luxurious hotels are (expensive)
than those of economic class.

