Comparatives and Superlatives
-er and -est

Comparing Two Things: Use -er
My notebook is thicker than your notebook.
Summer is hotter than autumn.
The mouse turned out to be braver than the lion.

Comparing Three or More Things: Use -est
Her notebook is the thickest notebook in the room.
August is usually the hottest month of the year.
The bravest people are not always the strongest or the biggest.

Spelling Comparatives
harsh —► harsher, harshest
(ends with consonant digraph = no change)
weak —► weaker, weakest
(vowel digraph = no change)
slim —► slimmer, slimmest
(closed syllable, final consonant = double the consonant)
wide —► wider, widest
(final silent e, drop e before adding -er, -est)
early —► earlier, earliest
(ends with -y, change y to i before adding -er, -est)