Comparative Suffixes -er, -est

To compare two things, use -er:

The wind is calmer today than it was yesterday.
My hamburger is fatter than your hamburger.

To compare more than two things, use -est:

This is the easiest book I’ve ever read.
Today is the hottest day of the summer.

Spelling Changes

Base words ending in -y, change y to i before adding the suffix.

prett\text{y} - y + i + er = prettier

prett\text{y} - y + i + est = prettiest

Base words ending in e, drop the e before adding the suffix.

brav\text{e} - e + er = braver

brav\text{e} - e + est = bravest