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Phonics Skill

A **suffix** is a meaningful word part used at the end of a word. When we compare **two things**, we add the suffix "-**er**" and when we compare **three or more things** we add the suffix -**est**.

- -er means more
- -est means most

Try It

Read the base words. Add the suffix **-er** and **-est** to make the new word. How does the meaning of the new word change?

Base -er -est Word

cold

tall

quick

high

Write It

What word is missing? Fill in the blank with one of the words from your list.

In the winter, the _____ days are usually in February.

That skyscraper is much than my house!

On the swings, I always go _____ than my best friend.

All of the second graders ran to see who could be the _____ to the lunch line.

Read It

Read or listen to "Each Kindness" by Jacqueline Woodson.

How can small acts show kindness? Make a list or draw a picture of ways to show kindness to others.



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Try It

If a word ends in the letter **y**, you must change the **y** into an **i** before adding the suffixes **'-er'** or **'-est'** to the end. These suffixes change the meaning of the word.

-er means more

-est means most

Turn these words into comparison words by adding -er or -est.

base word	-er	-est
tiny	tin ier	tin iest
noisy		
silly		
angry		
hairy		

Write It

An acrostic is a **poem** of words or phrases that describes a topic word.

Write an acrostic poem by choosing a word or phrase about kindness that starts with the letters of the word **kind.**

K-

|-

N-

D-

Draw It

Choose one set of words above and draw three pictures to compare.

For example, draw three creatures that are hairy, hairier, and hairiest!

Use a separate sheet of paper if needed.



KIND Acrostic Poem

K _			
I _			
N			
D			