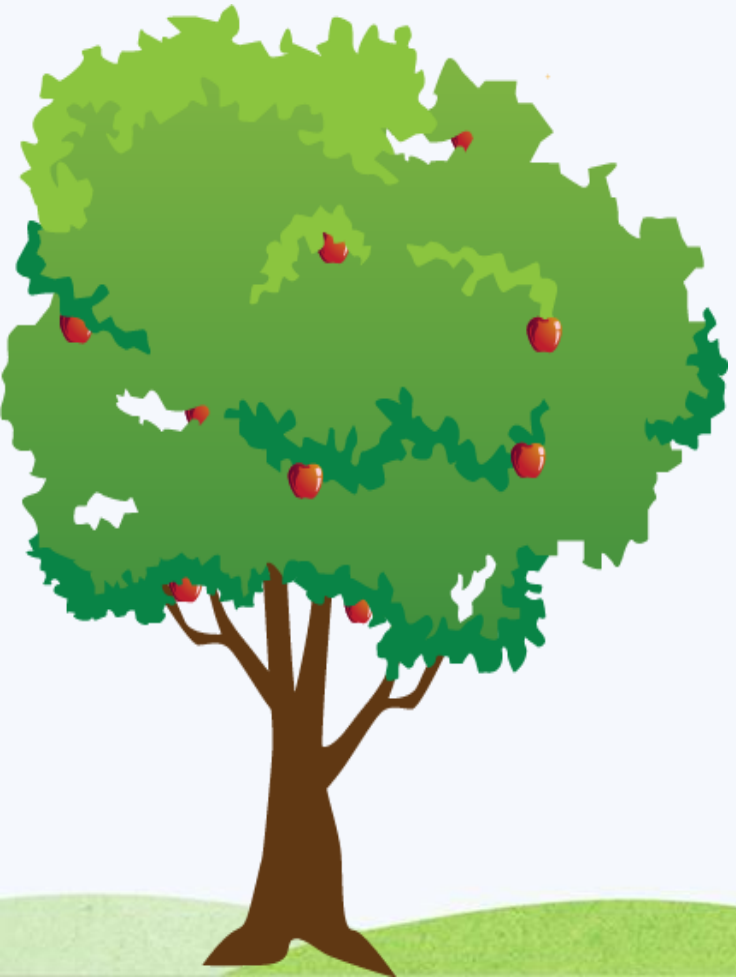
Degrees of Comparison



Uncle's Orchards



Uncle Seth has an apple, a peach and a plum orchard.

- The apple orchard is bigger than the peach orchard.
- The apples are sweet, but the peaches are sweeter.



REMEMBER

- The word bigger compares the size of two orchards.
- The word sweeter compares the sweetness of the two fruits.
- When we compare two things, we use the comparative form of adjectives.



Read these sentences.

- The plum orchard is bigger than the apple orchard.

  So, it is the biggest of all the three orchards.

- The plums are sweeter than the apples.

  So, they are the sweetest of the three fruits.



REMEMBER

- The word biggest compares the size of the three orchards together.
- The word sweetest compares the sweetness of the three fruits.
- When we compare more than two things, we use the superlative degree of comparison.



Binny, the Topper!

Hina: I think Binny is more intelligent than Sara.

Niti: I think Binny is the most intelligent student in our class.

Hina: Yes, and she is the most hard working too. That is why she tops the class!



REMEMBER



- Some comparative forms do not end in -er. We use the words ‘more than’.
- Some superlative forms do not end in -est. We use the word ‘the most’.

Test Yourself

Write the comparative and the superlative forms of the given adjectives.

Adjective	Comparative	Superlative
high	_____	_____
low	_____	_____
beautiful	_____	_____
expensive	_____	_____

