

Superlatives

The superlative form is –est or most... In general, we use –est for short words and most... for longer words. The rules are the same for the comparative.

Usamos –est para palabras de una sílaba y most para palabras de dos sílabas o más.

A few adjectives are irregular good (best), bad (worst), far (furthest).

We normally use the before a superlative. The superlative of old is oldest, we use eldest when we are talking about people in a family.

St. Stanislaus is the oldest Polish parish in urban America. It was originally built about 150 years ago.

After superlatives we normally use in with places. We also use in for organizations and groups of people (a class, a company, etc.) For a period of time, we normally use of.

She went to grad school in one of the best public universities of the state. She was one of the smartest people I ever knew.

We often use the present perfect (I have done) after the superlative.

Exercises

Isa is a very intelligent Yorkshire dog. She is _____ dog I have ever see.

This Italian restaurant is very expensive. It is _____ in town.

Gonzalo and Elizabeth have one son and one daughter. _____ is 33 years old.

Al Pacino knew a lot of people. Who is _____ person he worked with?
(famous)