

Adjectives That Compare

A. Write the adjective that compares in each sentence.

1. Who is the greatest American inventor?
2. Thomas Alva Edison was smarter than most people.
3. He may have been the smartest inventor ever.
4. He had the quickest mind of American inventors at the time.
5. Schools today are larger than Edison's school.
6. Edison's inventions led to some of the fastest changes in people's lives.
7. Edison was proudest of the gramophone.
8. The gramophone was the earliest record player.
9. Edison recited "Mary Had a Little Lamb" in his loudest voice.
10. His assistant thought it was the oddest thing he had heard.

B. Write each sentence. Choose the correct adjective.

11. Music on the stage sounded (clearer, clearest) than music on a gramophone.
12. Music on the stage sounded (brighter, brightest) of all.
13. Is swing music (older, oldest) than rock and roll?
14. Is folk music (harder, hardest) to play than pop music?
15. Woody Guthrie seemed the (kinder, kindest) of all the folk singers.
16. He wrote songs for the (younger, youngest) of his children.
17. Does a viola play (lower, lowest) notes than a violin?
18. I think low notes are the (louder, loudest) of all.
19. I think a mandolin's sound is (softer, softest) than a guitar's.
20. A violin is (lighter, lightest) to carry than a cello.

C. Use the correct form of the adjective in parentheses ().

21. Charlie's electric guitar is than mine. (loud)
22. His voice is the of anyone in the band. (high)
23. Maggie was than I when she began piano lessons. (young)
24. Her piano has the tone I've ever heard. (nice)
25. Is this song than the last one? (long)

D. Write each sentence. Underline the adjective that compares. Then write the adjective it was formed from.

26. These trees are larger than the other trees in the woods.
27. Those wildflowers are the prettiest I've ever seen.
28. Those are the biggest leaves in the forest.
29. The wettest part of a woodlands is a swamp.
30. A marsh is saltier than a swamp.
31. The owl is sleepier during the day than at night.
32. The frogs think those insects are tastier than flowers.
33. The air in a swamp is heavier than the air in a meadow.
34. I am happier in a swamp than I am at home.
35. To me, the loveliest places of all are in nature.