

Thursday – 'est' suffix

Adding –est to adjectives means 'most' and is used to compare. Normally you just add –est straight to the adjective but there are some exceptions.

If the adjective already ends in **e**, then just add **st**

Example: rude → rude**st**

When the adjective ends in **y**, change it to **i**, and add **est**

Example: crazy → crazy**est**

If the adjective has a **short vowel sound** (a, o, i, e, u) followed by one consonant, **double the last consonant** then add **est**.

Example: thin → thin**nest**

Add the suffix 'est' to these adjectives using the rules.

weak	→	weakest
bumpy	→	bumpiest
quiet	→	quietest
soft	→	softest
fat	→	fattest
bright	→	brightest
small	→	smallest
short	→	shortest
big	→	biggest
fast	→	fastest
fine	→	finest
cold	→	coldest
funny	→	funniest
slow	→	slowest
hot	→	hottest
close	→	closest
thick	→	thickest
wise	→	wisest
slim	→	slimmest
nice	→	nicest

Challenge: Pick 5 of the adjectives and use them in a sentence to compare.

