

## Adding endings to root words (-est)

We can change words by adding the ending **-est**.  
An ending like this is called a **suffix**.

- We travelled on the **slowest** bus.
- I am the **tallest** child in my class.



### Get started

Copy the sentences. Underline the suffix **-est** in each sentence.  
One has been done for you.

1. Zak was the fastest boy in the race.

Answer: Zak was the fastest boy in the race.

2. Our car is the cleanest.
3. Raj is the loudest singer.
4. That pencil is the sharpest in the pot.
5. I am the youngest in my family.

### Try these

Copy these sentences. Add the suffix **-est** to the underlined words. One has been done for you.

1. I ate the thick slice of bread.  
Answer: I ate the thickest slice of bread.
2. Today is the long day of the year.
3. I have the soft teddy of them all.
4. I put the book on the low shelf.
5. Mum chose the light shade of blue.

### Now try these

Add the suffix **-est** to each word.  
Then use it in a sentence of your own.

1. old
2. smart

