

3 LANGUAGE FOCUS • Superlative adjectives

I can use superlative adjectives to talk about my country.

1 Write the superlative form of the adjectives in the table.

Short adjectives

Regular	Adjective	Superlative
	dull,	the <i>dullest</i> ,
End in -e	weird, slow ,
End in	rare, safe ,
consonant + y	ugly, pretty ,
End in	big, hot ,
consonant		
+ vowel +		
consonant		

Long adjectives

Adjective	Superlative
colourful	the <i>most colourful</i>
common
expensive

Irregular

Adjective	Superlative
bad	the <i>worst</i>
good
far	the <i>furthest</i> / the <i>farthest</i>

STUDY STRATEGY

Improving your grammar

Inventing sentences is a good way to remember grammar rules and improve your grammar.

3 Read the Study Strategy. Then write five sentences with your ideas. Use the adjectives and the topics in the boxes. Compare with a partner.

good bad boring pretty nice horrible

film star animal team friend place food

I think the best football team is Arsenal.

In my opinion, the most horrible animals are spiders.

4 **USE IT!** Work in pairs. Read the text in exercise 2 again. Ask and answer questions with superlative adjectives for clues 1 – 6.

- 1 May to September
- 2 July
- 3 January
- 4 December to April
- 5 Mây Bạc
- 6 Delacour's Langur

Finished?

Write sentences about another national park in your country using the questions in exercise 4.

CÚC PHƯƠNG NATIONAL PARK

When is the best time to visit?

The ¹..... (hot) season is from May to September. The ²..... (warm) month is July with an average maximum temperature of 33°C. The ³..... (cold) month is January with an average maximum temperature of 19°C. The ⁴..... (good) time to explore Cúc Phương National Park is the dry season, from December to April.

Are there any mountains?

Yes. There are many limestone mountains. The ⁵..... (high) peak is Mây Bạc with 648 metres above sea level.

What animals can I see?

There are more than 300 species of birds and 135 mammal species. The ⁶..... (interesting) animal is the Delacour's Langur, one of the rarest primates on earth.

