**UNIT 3: WILD LIFE**

**READING – THE UGLIEST ANIMALS?**

**Vocabulary**

1. species /ˈspiː.ʃiːz/ (n): loài
2. danger /ˈdeɪn.dʒər/ (n): sự nguy hiểm
3. extinct /ɪkˈstɪŋkt/ (adj): tuyệt chủng
4. weird /wɪəd/ (adj): kì lạ
5. rare /reər/ (adj): hiếm, ít có
6. dull /dʌl/ (adj): chán ngắt, buồn tẻ
7. protect  /prəˈtekt/ (v): bảo vệ

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**LANGUAGE FOCUS – SUPERLATIVE ADJECTIVES**

**A/ SUPERLATIVE ADJECTIVES:**

**I/ The usage:**

Superlative adjectives are used in sentences where **a subject is compared to a group of objects**.

**II/ Form:**

**1/ Short adjectives:** one-syllable adjectives (*tall, big, hot, large, old,...)*

**S + BE + THE ADJ-est**

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| **Short adjectives** |  |
| 1-syllable adjectives | old, fast |
| 2-syllable adjectives ending in -y | happy, easy |
| RULE: add "-**est**" | old → the old**est** |
| Adjective ends in –e: add **-st** | large → the large**st** |
| Adjective ends in consonant, vowel, consonant, double the last consonant | big → the bi**ggest**  hot → the ho**ttest** |
| Adjective ends in –y: y → i | happy → the happ**iest** |

**2/ The adjectives *good, bad*and*far* have irregular comparatives and superlatives**

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| **Adjectives** | **Comparatives** | **Superlatives** |
| good | better | best |
| bad | worse | worst |
| far | farther/further | farthest/furthest |

**3/ Long adjectives**: two-syllable adjectives or more *(interesting, exciting, beautiful,…)*

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| **Long adjectives** |  |
| 2-syllable adjectives not ending in -y | modern, pleasant |
| all adjectives of 3 or more syllables | expensive, intelligent |
| RULE: use "most" | modern → the most modern expensive → the most expensive |

**S + BE + THE MOST + ADJECTIVE**

**B/ Vocabulary:**

1. Average /ˈæv.ər.ɪdʒ/ (adj) = *common*: trung bình
2. Temperature /ˈtem.prə.tʃər/ (n) = *a measure of the warmth or coldness of an object:* nhiệt độ
3. Explore /ɪkˈsplɔːr/ (v) = *search for*: thám hiểm
4. Peak /piːk/ (n) = *the pointed top of a mountain*: đỉnh núi
5. Mountain /ˈmaʊn.tɪn/ (n): núi
6. Mammal species /ˈmæm.əl/ /ˈspiː.ʃiːz/ : động vật có vú