

Adding the '-er' suffix

What is a suffix?

A **suffix** is a group of letters that can be added on to the end of a **root** word to slightly change its meaning.

e.g. **walking**

Walk is the root word.

ing is the suffix.

The suffix 'er' is added to the end of adjectives to compare two things...

e.g. small.

The girl was smaller
than the boy.



Can you add 'er' to these words,
then put them in a sentence?

e.g. loud – The children were louder than their teacher.

hard	quiet	bright
dark	high	deep

Can you think of an '-er' word in a sentence to compare the cat and the elephant?

The cat is....

The elephant is....

