

## Words with *-er* and *-est*

► Write a Spelling Word to complete each sentence.

1. I can run \_\_\_\_\_ than my friend.
2. I am the \_\_\_\_\_ runner here.
3. This pond feels much \_\_\_\_\_ than the warm lake.
4. I am the \_\_\_\_\_ animal around. I am wilder than all the other animals in the jungle.

► Write a Spelling Word for each clue.

5. larger \_\_\_\_\_
6. noisier \_\_\_\_\_
7. most unusual \_\_\_\_\_
8. most heat \_\_\_\_\_
9. thinner \_\_\_\_\_
10. smartest \_\_\_\_\_
11. most caring \_\_\_\_\_

► Write the following Spelling Words: *shorter*, *soonest*, *tamer*, and *whitest*. Use your best handwriting.

12. \_\_\_\_\_
13. \_\_\_\_\_
14. \_\_\_\_\_
15. \_\_\_\_\_

### SPELLING WORDS

1. *faster*
2. *wisest*
3. *bigger*
4. *slowest*
5. *cooler*
6. *hottest*
7. *soonest*
8. *shorter*
9. *kindest*
10. *louder*
11. *slimmer*
12. *wildest*
13. *tamer*
14. *whitest*
15. *strangest*

#### Handwriting

**Tip:** Be sure to space the letters in a word correctly, not too close together and not too far apart.

*tamer*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

### SPELLING WORDS

1. faster
2. wisest
3. bigger
4. slowest
5. cooler
6. hottest
7. soonest
8. shorter
9. kindest
10. louder
11. slimmer
12. wildest
13. tamer
14. whitest
15. strangest

### SPELLING STRATEGY

#### Adding Endings

If a base word ends with a single consonant, ask yourself whether the vowel before the consonant is short. If it is, you need to double the final consonant before adding *-er* or *-est*.

► Add an ending from the box to write a Spelling Word.

-er	-est
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| 1. cool _____ | 4. short _____ |
| 2. soon _____ | 5. kind _____  |
| 3. hot _____  | 6. slim _____  |

► Read each pair of words. Circle the misspelled word. Then write the correctly spelled word on the line.

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| 7. stranggest | strangest | _____ |
| 8. whitest    | whittest  | _____ |
| 9. bigger     | biger     | _____ |
| 10. tammer    | tamer     | _____ |
| 11. lowder    | louder    | _____ |
| 12. faster    | faster    | _____ |

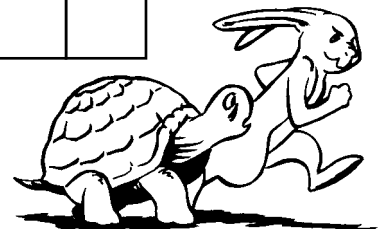
► Write the Spelling Word that fits in each shape.

13. 

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14. 

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► **Word Sets** Write the Spelling Word that completes each set of words.

1. wild, wilder, \_\_\_\_\_
2. wise, wiser, \_\_\_\_\_
3. slim, \_\_\_\_\_, slimmest
4. strange, stranger, \_\_\_\_\_
5. cool, \_\_\_\_\_, coolest
6. tame, \_\_\_\_\_, tamest

► **Opposites** Write the Spelling Words that are the opposite of the given words.

7. coldest \_\_\_\_\_
8. meanest \_\_\_\_\_
9. smaller \_\_\_\_\_
10. more quiet \_\_\_\_\_
11. taller \_\_\_\_\_
12. fastest \_\_\_\_\_

► **Unscramble the Words** Rearrange each group of letters to write a Spelling Word.

13. tiwehst \_\_\_\_\_
14. rafest \_\_\_\_\_
15. osontes \_\_\_\_\_
16. dtskein \_\_\_\_\_
17. sweist \_\_\_\_\_

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