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2. Jimmy listened most attentively during the lecture. 2. _____
3. The ballet dancer moved more gracefully than her coach. 3. _____
4. They cheered less enthusiastically as the game progressed. 4. _____
5. The puppy behaved worse after the attempted training. 5. _____
6. We hiked farther than yesterday. 6. _____
7. The new design worked least efficiently out of all the previous designs. 7. _____

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| 4. They cheered <u>less enthusiastically</u> as the game progressed. | 4. <u>CA</u> |
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“Most talented” is a superlative adjective

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“Jumped higher” is a comparative adverb

10. Ryan arrived latest, after everyone else had already left the party.

“Latest” is a superlative adverb that compares how Ryan arrived to how everyone else arrived.

11. The oldest building in the city costs ten million dollars.

“Oldest” is a superlative adjective
