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Choose the correct adjective in parenthesis to complete each sentence. Write the adjective on the line.

Martin is _____ than Marcia. (old, older, oldest) 1. That is a very _____ car. (small, smaller, smallest) 2. Mount Everest is the _____ mountain in the world. (high, higher, highest) 3. This is the _____ blanket in the house. (warm, warmer, warmest) 4. Maria is _____ than Jan right now. (happy, happier, happiest) 5. That was the _____sundae I've ever eaten. (big, bigger, biggest) 6. 7. Katrina ran even _____ than I did. (fast, faster, fastest) January is the _____ month of the year. (cold, colder, coldest) 8. That is a very _____ fishing pole. (long, longer, longest) 9. 10. Mr. Jones is the teacher in the school. (nice, nicer, nicest)

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- 1. Martin is <u>older</u> than Marcia. (old, <u>older</u>, oldest)
- **2.** That is a very **small** car. (**small**, smaller, smallest)
- 3. Mount Everest is the highest mountain in the world. (high, higher, highest)
- 4. This is the <u>warmest</u> blanket in the house. (warm, warmer, <u>warmest</u>)
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