Comparative & Superlative Practice

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Superlative adverbs compare the action (verb) of a group larger than two.
Example: Susan sang loudest in the choir.

For the adverbs that end in -ly:
Comparative form: add more as in more sweetly
Superlative: add most as in most sweetly.

Complete each sentence with the correct form of the adverb that is in parentheses.

1. Our father arrived home later than the rest of the family. (late)
2. My sister sang ____________________________ than Amanda did. (beautifully)
3. Your husband, Ken, writes ____________________________ of all. (well)
4. Mrs. Henderson speaks ____________________________ than Mrs. Alarcon. (clearly)
5. Mother prepares turkey ____________________________ than Father does. (well)
6. Alexander and Peter work ____________________________ of all the boys. (hard)
7. He checked his answers ____________________________ than she did. (carefully)
8. Angelica speaks Spanish ____________________________ of all the students. (correctly)
9. Percy talks ____________________________ than Jennifer. (frequently)
10. She danced ____________________________ of all. (gracefully)
11. This math test was ____________________________ than the last one. (hard)
12. I did my homework ____________________________ than my brother. (fast)

Short adverbs:
hard, fast, early, late
Comparative: use –er ending, as in later
Superlative: use -est ending as in latest
Change words ending in y to i, as in earlier, earliest.

Special adverbs: Well, badly
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3. Your husband, Ken, writes best of all. (well)
4. Mrs. Henderson speaks more clearly than Mrs. Alarcon. (clearly)
5. Mother prepares turkey better than Father does. (well)
6. Alexander and Peter work hardest of all the boys. (hard)
7. He checked his answers more carefully than she did. (carefully)
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