Comparative and Superlative Adjectives Stories

Story 1 suggested activities
As you read, they can guess the adjective for each object after it is mentioned, and/or after you read the first adjective on each page (“John made a fast go kart”) they can make the comparative and superlative versions for the other two boys.

After reading, they can draw the pictures for this story and/or make up their own (written or oral) stories where people try to outdo each other but actually were wasting their time. If they need help, you could give them suggested first sentences for such stories, for example:
- “A princess must marry before her 18th birthday. Princess Jean was 17 years and 9 months old and had rejected every prince who she had ever met. They had 3 more months to find the perfect future king”
- “There was only room for one more person on the mission to Mars”
- “The first election for president of the world was set for June 2021”

Story 2 suggested activities
While reading, the kid(s) can say the next form of each adjective and/or guess what is being talked about each time from the form (e.g. that “smelliest” will be about his breath). They can also guess who is being talked about before the final page.

After reading, kids can draw pictures for each page, test each other on the comparative and superlative forms, and/or write their own similar stories. Note that the stories work with or without a positive page near the end, depending on the final line.

Suggested final lines
So I chose him as my pet, and I play with him every day.

But he’s my brother, so I love him anyway.

So he’s/she’s still my best friend.

So I still come to his/her English class every week.
All for Julie, the prettiest girl

A comparative and superlative adjectives story by Alex Case
In a town called Moreton lived three friends called John, Harry and Graham.

One winter, a girl called Julie moved into the little cottage at the end of their street. They thought she was the prettiest girl in the whole world. From that day, everything they did was just to impress Julie.

First they tried to impress her with poems.
John wrote a long poem, Harry wrote a longer poem, and Graham wrote the longest poem in the whole world.

Then they tried music.
John played a loud guitar, Harry played a louder trumpet, and Graham played the loudest drum in the whole world.

Then they decided to show off their engineering skills.
John made a fast go kart, Harry made a faster go kart, and Graham made the fastest go kart in the whole world.

Finally, they thought she’s definitely be impressed by circus skills.
John juggled something dangerous, Harry juggled something more dangerous, and Graham invented the most dangerous juggling trick ever.

The next day was Julie’s birthday party.
So John bought a big present, Harry bought a bigger present, and Graham bought the biggest present in the whole world, and they all arrived nice and early and ready to impress, but…
Julie’s garden was small, her cottage was smaller, and her door was the smallest on the street, so…
there was no space for huge presents, for juggling, for go karts, or for guitars, trumpets and drums. There was room for poems, but not for poems as long as John’s, Harry’s and Graham’s.
So they took everything back home, went into Julie’s house with nothing and had to have a tea party with Julie’s little tea set, eat Julie’s little cakes, play music on a little toy piano, and make new, smaller presents with origami.
But they had the most fun all year, and when they left they were the happiest ever, and John, Harry and Graham were the best of friends.

THE END
The Sharpest Chin in the World

A comparatives and superlatives story by Alex Case
His eyebrows are long, his nose hair is longer, and
his nose is the longest in the world.

His armpits are smelly, his farts are smellier, and
his breath is the smelliest in the world.

His cheeks are fat, his legs are fatter and
his tummy is the fattest in the world.

His elbows are sharp, his nails are sharper, and
his chin is the sharpest in the whole world,

But
his silly faces are funny, his silly noises are funnier, and his jokes are the funniest in the whole world.

So
I’m still glad that he’s my Dad.

THE END