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Adjective

The double forms of the Comparative and Superlative of the Adjectives given are used in different ways.

Later, latter; latest, last - Later and latest refer to time; latter and last refer to position.

He is later than I expected.

I have not heard the latest news.

The latter chapters are lacking in interest.

The last chapter is carelessly written.

Ours is the last house in the street.

Elder, older; eldest, oldest---Elder and eldest are used only of persons, not of animals or things and are now confined to members of the same family. Elder is not used with than.

Older and oldest are used of both persons and things.

John is my elder brother
Tom is my eldest son.
He is older than his sister.
Rama is the oldest boy in the eleven.

EXERCISE

(a) Fill the blank spaces with 'later' or 'latter.'

1 The majority accepted the
proposal.

2 Thepart of the book shows
signs of hurry.

3 At adate, he was placed in charge
of the whole taluka.

4 prefer theproposition to the
former

b) Fill blank spaces with 'older' or 'elder.'

1. I have an sister.

2. Rama isthan Hari by two years.

3. His,..... brother is in the Indian
Police Service.

4 She is the of the two sisters.