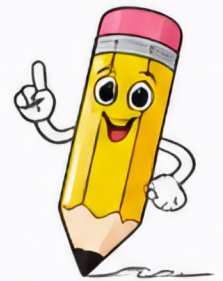


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Punctuation: Apostrophes in Contractions



A contraction is a short way to say two words.

An apostrophe (') takes the place of the missing letter or letters.

Examples: I'm = I am can't = cannot they're = they are

1 Read each pair of words. Write the contraction on the line.

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| 1. I am | _____ | 6. will not | _____ |
| 2. you are | _____ | 7. cannot | _____ |
| 3. we are | _____ | 8. I will | _____ |
| 4. it is | _____ | 9. they are | _____ |
| 5. do not | _____ | 10. let us | _____ |

2 Complete each sentence with the correct contraction from the box.

I'm can't won't it's they're don't

- _____ going to the park today.
- I _____ find my blue jacket anywhere!
- _____ a great day for ice cream.
- My friends said _____ coming to the party.
- Please _____ forget your homework.
- We _____ be late for school.



3 Rewrite each sentence using the contraction in parentheses.

- You are my best friend. (you're) _____
- She will not go to the store. (she won't) _____
- We are ready to play. (we're) _____
- It is time to go home. (it's) _____

