

## Worksheet (2.5)

### Apostrophes- Contractions

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When we are speaking or writing, we often join two words together to make a shorter word. We make the word shorter by leaving out one or more letters from the original words.

When we write the shorter word down, we use an **apostrophe** (') in place of the missing letters.

Example: **that is** becomes **that's** (the letter **i** has been left out)



When we join two words together to make a new word, the shorter word is called a **contraction**.

Q1. Match the following contractions with the right words:

1	does not	shouldn't	5
2	you are	I've	3
3	I have	doesn't	1
4	will not	you're	2
5	should not	won't	4

Q2. Use an apostrophe to combine the words and write the contracted form.

We will **we'll**

They are **they're**

it has/ it is **it's**

he has /he is **he's**

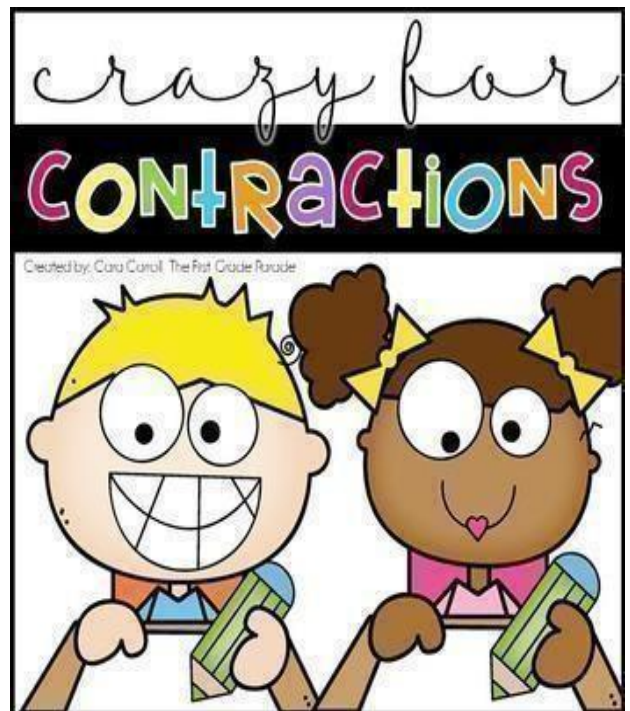
she had/ she would **she'd**

we are **we're**

she will **she'll**

they would **they'd**

can not **can't**



**Q3. Fill in the blanks with the contracted form of the two words in brackets.**

1. **They've** finished eating. (They have)
2. He **can't** sing. (can not)
3. **Let's** go swimming. (Let us)
4. You **shouldn't** do that. (should not)
5. They **aren't** coming. (are not)
6. **It's** a sunny day. (It is)
7. She **didn't** look too happy. (did not)
8. **I'd** to take care of her baby. (I had)
9. **We'll** have fun at the show. (we will)

**Q4. Circle the contraction and write the two words that created it on the line.**

- 1) He'd gone to work early. **He had**
- 2) I can't wait to see all of my family! **can not**
- 3) They're going to come to our house. **They are**
- 4) We've got to prepare for his arrival. **We have**
- 5) I don't know what to do first. **do not**
- 6) Mom's already busy with the cooking. **Mom is**

**Q5. Read the paragraph and find the contraction and the punctuation mistakes. Rewrite the paragraph correctly on the lines below.**

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