

Contractions

Generalization In contractions, an apostrophe replaces omitted letters: **do not** becomes **don't**; **there is** becomes **there's**.

Word Sort Sort the list words by words you know how to spell and words you are learning to spell. Write every word.

words I know how to spell

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____

words I'm learning to spell

11. _____
12. _____
13. _____
14. _____
15. _____
16. _____
17. _____
18. _____
19. _____
20. _____

Challenge Words

words I know how to spell

21. _____
22. _____

words I'm learning to spell

23. _____
24. _____
25. _____

Spelling Words

1. don't
2. won't
3. wouldn't
4. there's
5. we're
6. you're
7. doesn't
8. I've
9. here's
10. wasn't
11. shouldn't
12. couldn't
13. where's
14. hadn't
15. aren't
16. they're
17. it's
18. we've
19. when's
20. haven't

Challenge Words

21. it'll
22. who'll
23. might've
24. mustn't
25. we'd



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Spelling Words

don't	won't	wouldn't	there's	we're
you're	doesn't	I've	here's	wasn't
shouldn't	couldn't	where's	hadn't	aren't
they're	it's	we've	when's	haven't

Familiar Sayings Write the contraction that correctly completes each saying.

- _____ count your chickens before they hatch. 1. _____
- People in glass houses _____ throw stones. 2. _____
- _____ no time like the present. 3. _____
- _____ as alike as two peas in a pod. 4. _____
- _____ the time gone? 5. _____
- _____ the thought that counts. 6. _____

Contractions Write the contraction that can be made from the underlined words.

- The band was so loud I could not hear you. 7. _____
- The kindergartners have not visited the zoo yet. 8. _____
- Carrie will not be here today because she is sick. 9. _____
- When is our next club meeting? 10. _____
- You are right on time! 11. _____
- Here is my homework assignment. 12. _____
- Lisa was so angry she would not speak to me all day. 13. _____
- We are not old enough to drive. 14. _____
- The actor was not sure he knew his lines. 15. _____
- Before today, Kim had not played softball. 16. _____
- I have been taking dancing lessons for five years. 17. _____
- Do you know when we are leaving? 18. _____
- Jennifer does not have any pets. 19. _____
- Do you want to know where we have been? 20. _____



Home Activity Your child wrote contractions. Have your child tell which letters were replaced by the apostrophe in each contraction.

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Proofread Riddles Circle six spelling errors in Vicki's list of riddles. Write the words correctly on the lines. Rewrite the sentence that ends with the wrong punctuation mark.

Why don't rivers go out of style?
Because theyr'e always current!

When'is fishing not a good way to relax?
When you're a worm!

Wheres' the ocean the deepest?
At the bottom.

What driver does't need a license.
A screwdriver!

Why should you wear a watch in the desert?
Because there's a spring inside.

Why woudn't the letter E spend any money?
Because its always in debt.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____

Missing Words Circle the contraction that is spelled correctly.
Write it.

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|---------------|----------|--------------------------|------------------------------|-----------|
| 8. We've | We'ev | chosen you for our team. | 8. _____ | |
| 9. There | ar'nt | aren't | any more books on the shelf. | 9. _____ |
| 10. The puppy | wouldn't | woodn't | come when I called. | 10. _____ |
| 11. Hear's | Here's | my missing shoe! | 11. _____ | |
| 12. Nick | doesn't | dosen't | like ice cream. | 12. _____ |

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haven't

Frequently Misspelled Words

it's
we're
you're



Home Activity Your child identified misspelled contractions. Write each contraction, omitting the apostrophes. Have your child add the missing apostrophe to each word.

Contractions

Spelling Words

don't	won't	wouldn't	there's	we're
you're	doesn't	I've	here's	wasn't
shouldn't	couldn't	where's	hadn't	aren't
they're	it's	we've	when's	haven't

Writing Contractions Words from the first and second columns can be combined to form a contraction. Write the contraction.

First Word	Second Word	Contraction
1. do	not	1. _____
2. will	not	2. _____
3. there	has	3. _____
4. we	have	4. _____
5. you	are	5. _____
6. here	is	6. _____
7. have	not	7. _____
8. it	has	8. _____
9. are	not	9. _____
10. they	are	10. _____
11. where	is	11. _____
12. should	not	12. _____
13. does	not	13. _____
14. could	not	14. _____
15. when	is	15. _____
16. was	not	16. _____
17. would	not	17. _____
18. I	have	18. _____
19. we	are	19. _____
20. had	not	20. _____



Home Activity Your child has learned to read, write, and spell contractions. Say the two words from the first and second columns of the chart. Have your child say and spell the contraction.