ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS ACTIVITY SHEET
CONTRACTIONS

Level: Standard 1

Curriculum Topic: Contractions

Teaching point: Use contractions in sentences.



Contractions are shortened forms of words. The apostrophe (’) is used to replace a word or letters that were removed.

For example: cannot- can’t

Activity 1

Instructions: See if you can write the contractions for each pair of words.

1. I am_____
2. you are_____
3. they are_____
4. you will_____
5. are not_____
6. would not_____
7. he is_____
8. she is_____
9. could have_____
10. they have_____

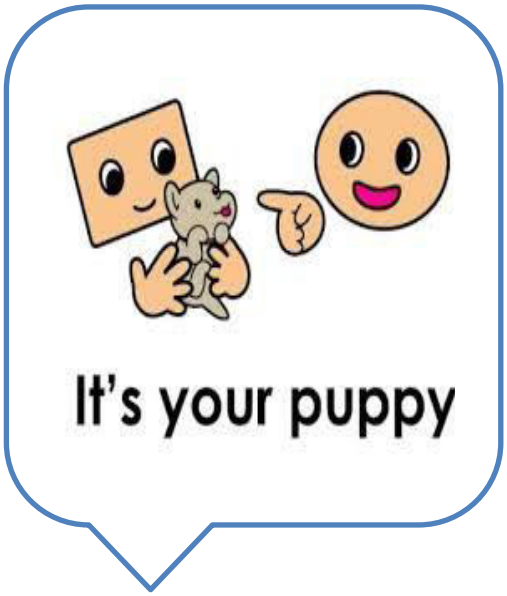


Activity 2

Instruction: See if you know the words that these contractions represent. Example:

It's = It is

1. isn't _____ _____
2. haven't _____ _____
3. don't _____ _____
4. let's _____ _____
5. I'll _____ _____
6. wasn't _____ _____
7. you'd _____ _____
8. where's _____ _____
9. how's _____ _____
10. we'll _____ _____



Activity 3

Write the contraction in the paragraph below.

Example: She (was not) _____ feeling strong all day, so she decided that (she would) _____ call Jack for help.

Answer: She **wasn't** feeling strong all day, so she decided that **she'd** call Jack for help.



Mom said that (we will) _____ go to the movies later. However, I (did not) _____ see my gray jacket that keeps me warm. I went looking and found my green sweater instead. (That is) _____ my other favourite sweater. When we were ready to go, Mom complimented my outfit. I was happy, but I (was not) _____ sure if we (would have) _____ been able to see my choice of movie.

Activity 4: Now try to write a paragraph of your own, in which you use any **three** contractions. Choose any topic you are interested in. Give it a try!

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Answer Key

Activity 1

1. I'm
2. you're
3. they're
4. you'll
5. aren't
6. wouldn't
7. he's
8. she's
9. could've
10. they've

Activity 2

1. isn't **is not** 2. haven't **have not** 3. don't **do not** 4. let's **let us**
5. I'll **I will** 6. wasn't **was not** 7. you'd **you would** 8. where's **where is**
9. how's **how is** 10. we'll **we will**

Activity 3

Mom said that (we will) **we'll** go to the movie later. However, I (did not) **didn't** see my gray jacket that keeps me warm. I went looking and found my green sweater instead. (That is) **That's**

my other favourite sweater. When we were ready to go, Mom complimented my outfit. I was happy, but I (was not) **wasn't** sure if we (would have) **would've** been able to see my choice of movie.