



Apostrophe

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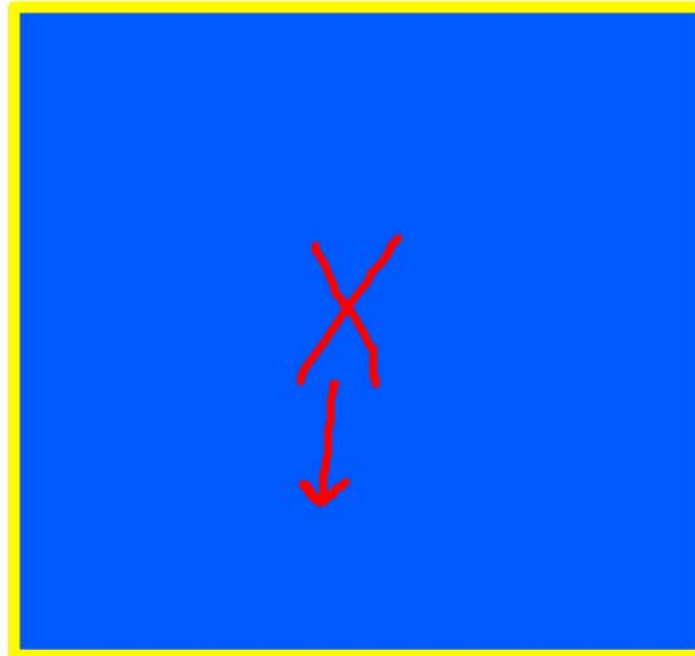


Contraction

Speaking and
Listening



What is a contraction (sometimes known as omission)?





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Used instead of letters

- They are used instead of letters when we want to shorten words.
- They take the position of the omitted letter or letters

What is this?

What ~~is~~ this?



What's this?



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Which letters have been omitted?

that's
i

I've

can't

they'd

he's

didn't

we'll

wasn't

shan't



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Which letters have been omitted?

that's
i

I've
ha

can't
no

they'd
woul or
ha

he's
i or
ha

didn't
o

we'll
wi

wasn't
o

shan't
o

(but notice that 'll'
is omitted too)



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What's wrong with this?

Was'nt



Contract these words:

she is she's

they will



he had



who is



they are



I am



Did you omit the correct letters?

Did you put the apostrophe in their place?



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The apostrophe is not where the omitted letter is (wasn't)

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who is who's

they are they're

I am I'm

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POSSESSION

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Can you think of synonyms for 'possess'?

A collection of seven red rectangular boxes with yellow borders, arranged in a scattered pattern for students to write their answers.



Possession

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Can you think of synonyms for 'possess'?

own belong to

to have hold

control occupy

acquire



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If it belongs to someone or something add 's
(Singular)

The boy's book.

The lady's toilet.

The goose's food.



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But what do these mean?

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The ladies' toilet.

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They are all plural nouns.

If the plural follows normal rules (adding s), then the apostrophe goes after the plural s (boys' not boys's)

If there are special rules for the plural, the apostrophe goes before the s as the spelling already tells us it is plural.



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Explain the difference in meaning for these:

The teacher's room.

The teachers' room.

The cats' kittens.

The cat's kittens.

The table's chairs.

The tables' chairs.

The mice's cheese.

The mouse's cheese.



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What is wrong with these?

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They are already plural, so the apostrophe goes before the s.

children's

women's



RED ALERT!!!

Its

never has an apostrophe for possession.

Can you guess its colour?

I've lost its pen top.

"The possessive dog had its tail removed"

Contraction or Possession?

The Batman's flying!

When are we going to Batman's cave?

The caves' owner was Batman.

Batman's brothers' batmobiles.





Put a tick to show whether the apostrophe in each sentence is used for **omission** or **possession**.

	Apostrophe for omission	Apostrophe for possession
Alisha's the best in the class at maths.		
We'll finish this after lunch.		
Samir's picture is my favourite.		



Put a tick in each row to show how the **apostrophe** has been used in the sentence.

One has been done for you.

Sentence	To replace a missing letter	To show something belongs to someone / something
It doesn't go there.	✓	
We're cold.		
Anita's coat is very warm.		
Ruby's hair is brown.		
I mustn't forget my homework.		