

WALT: use apostrophes for contractions and possession

## What is an apostrophe?

A apostrophe is a punctuation mark which is used to indicate either possession (owning something) or to replace a missing letter.

#### Why do we miss letters in words?

We do not always speak how we write, which means when we talk we often miss out words or join them together. When we then write these down, we need to replace the missing letter with an apostrophe. For example:

do not becomes don't

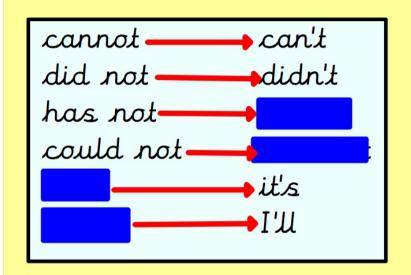
See that the 'o' has been replaced!

## What is possession?

Possession shows who something belongs too. We need apostrophes to help us. We use apostrophes to show possession for I person and for plurals.

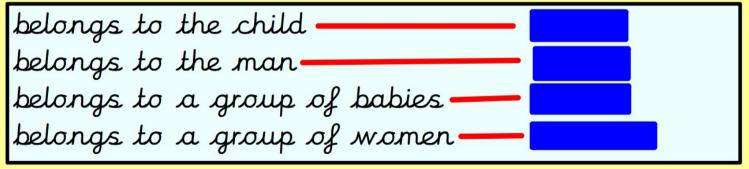
One person = Amy's coat was wet. (The coat belongs to Amy). Plurals = The parents' house (There is more than one parent).

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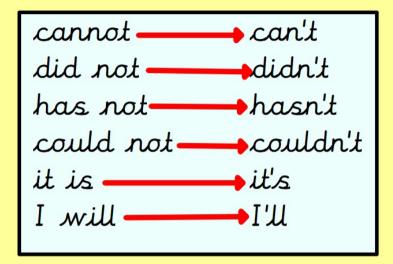
Can you identify the missing words?

Can you identify where the apostrophe would go?



Can you think of any other contractions?

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Answers

 Task - Write each of your spelling words at least three times. If mins you are unsure of what a word means, use the definitions sheet to help you.

can't
didn't
hasn't
couldn't
it's
Ι'll
 child's
man's
babies'
women's

Have a go at this fur game when you are done!



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In pairs, match the words to their contraction. There may be some you haven't seen before!

they'd

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aren't
isn't
mustn't
shan't
shouldn't
wouldn't
can't

didn't
here's
you've
they'd
I'll
it's
couldn't

#### Answers

did not aren't didn't are not isn't here's here is is not mustn't you've you have must not they'd they would shan't shall not shouldn't I'll I will should not wouldn't it's it is would not could not can't couldn't can not

can't didn't hadn't couldn't it's I'll child's man's babies' women's Remember to underline your spelling words - they must be spelt correctly!



Write a single clause sentence with an expanded noun phrase and a prepositional phrase.





Write a single clause sentence with an expanded noun phrase.



## TIC TAC TOE Activity

Write a list of your spellings in alphabetical order. For even greater challenge, can you write them in reverse alphabetical order first?

Pyramid Power
easiest
harder harder
hardest hardest