

Recognising Apostrophes

1. 'You'll' is the correct contracted form of which of the words below? Circle your answer.

A. you shall

B. you won't

C. you sha'll

D. you will

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4. Write a sentence using each of the words below in their contracted form.

could not

do not

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2. Match the words below to their contracted form.

A. I have

she's

B. we are

we're

C. she is

I've

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5. Louisa has written the sentence below.

Joseph wishes his parents would buy him the game he's always wanted.

She says,



The apostrophe in the underlined word replaces the letter 'i'.

Is Louisa correct?
Explain your reasoning

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3. Write the contractions for the words given below.

A. can not = _____

B. should not = _____

C. I am = _____

D. he would = _____

E. they will = _____

F. did not = _____

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6. Below are three sentences that have been written using contractions incorrectly.

A. Lucy couldn't understand why the internet was'nt working.

B. My parents have booked a holiday. Wer'e going to Spain.

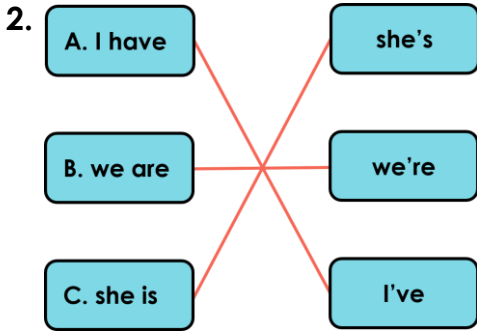
C. Jenn has a brother who is younger than her. Hes seven and shes nine.

Find and explain the mistakes.

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1. **A and D**



3. **A. can't; B. shouldn't; C. I'm; D. he'd; E. they'll; F. didn't**

4. **Various answers, for example:**

My brother couldn't work out how to switch the television on!

"Please don't do that," asked the teacher kindly.

5. **Louise is incorrect. In the sentence she has written, 'he's' is the contracted form of 'he has'. The apostrophe is actually used to replace 'h' and 'a' and not 'i'.**

6. **Sentence A is incorrect because the apostrophe should be placed between 'n' and 't'. The expanded words are 'was not' and in the contraction, the apostrophe replaces 'o' and is written as 'wasn't'.**

Sentence B is incorrect because the apostrophe should be placed before the 'r'. The expanded words are 'we are' and in the contraction, the apostrophe replaces 'a' and is written as 'we're'.

Sentence C is incorrect because hes and shes are contracted words but don't have any apostrophes in. Hes should be written as 'he's' and shes should be written as 'she's'.