

Year 3 Apostrophes for Contraction – Guidance for Parents and Carers

Worksheet:

The aim of this activity is for children to practise using apostrophes for contraction. There are a number of questions to complete. The first four questions allow children to practise the skill, while the next three questions extend them as they have to apply their learning to get the answer.

Vocabulary:

A **contraction** is a word that has been formed by putting two words together, replacing some letters with an apostrophe, for example 'you are' becomes 'you're'.

An **apostrophe** is a punctuation mark which is used to either show contraction (when a letter or letters have been missed out - for example, 'do not' becomes 'don't') or possession (when something belongs to somebody or some people - for example, Freda's puppy).

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Apostrophes for Contractions

1. **mustn't**
2. **they'll: they and will, we're: we and are**
3. **you've: you and have, won't: will and not**
4. **w, o, u and I**
5. **We should not play with the matches.**
6. **If they go to the island, they'll find the treasure.**
7. **Alys has positioned the apostrophe incorrectly. It should be placed where the removed letters were, making 'you'd'.**