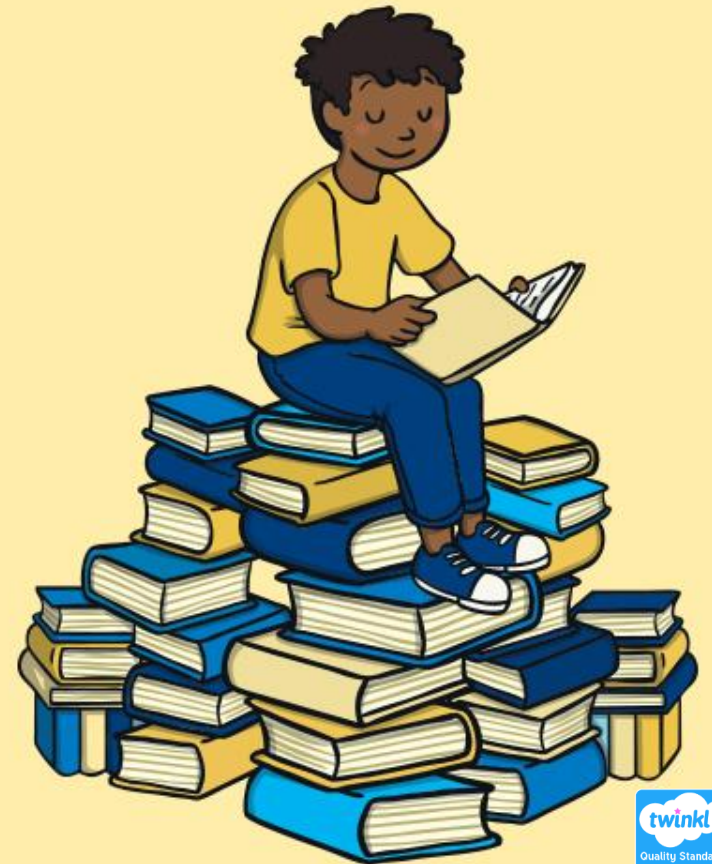
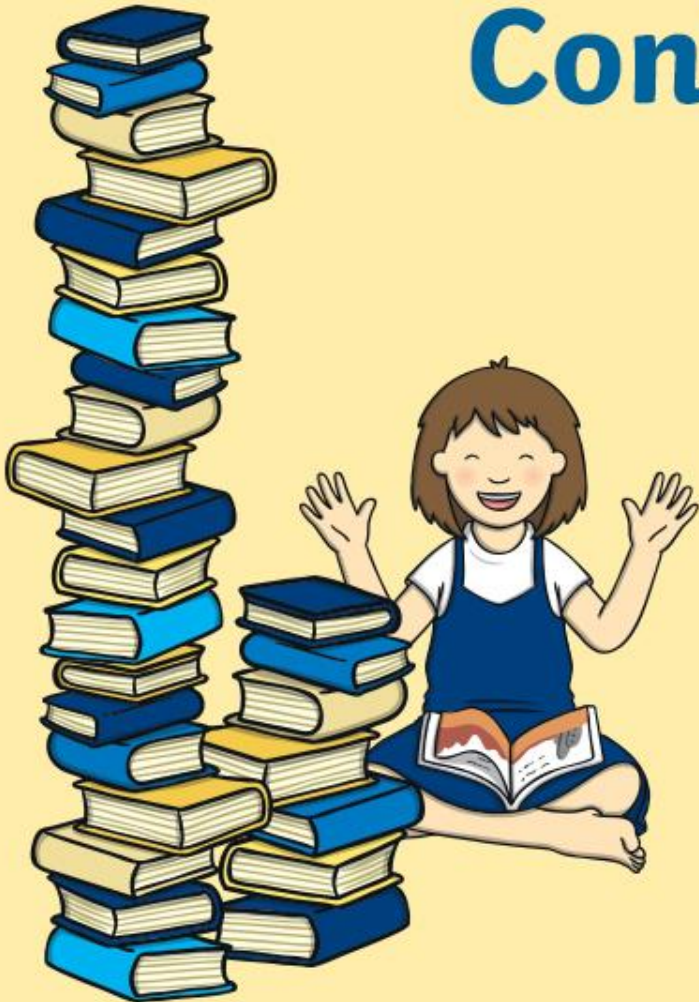


Shortened Words

Contractions



Shortened Words

Sometimes, we join two words together to make them shorter.

We call these contractions.

In today's lesson, we will learn some rules for using contractions correctly.



I am

If 'I' is one of the words in the contraction, the 'I' must be a capital letter.

When shortening 'am' with 'I', remove the 'a' and replace it with an apostrophe.

I am

=

I'm

Are

If 'are' is one of the words in the contraction, remove the 'a' and replace it with an apostrophe.

we are

you are

they are

=

=

=

we're

you're

they're

Is

If 'is' is one of the words in the contraction, remove the 'i' and replace it with an apostrophe.

he is

she is

it is

that is

=

=

=

=

he's

she's

it's

that's

Will

If 'will' is one of the words in the contraction, remove the 'w' and the 'i' and replace them both with an apostrophe.

I will

=

I'll

you will

=

you'll

he will

=

he'll

she will

=

she'll

it will

=

it'll

we will

=

we'll

they will

=

they'll

Has

If 'has' is one of the words in the contraction, remove the 'h' and the 'a' and replace them both with an apostrophe.

she has

he has

it has

that has

=

=

=

=

she's

he's

it's

that's

Had

If 'had' is one of the words in the contraction, remove the 'h' and the 'a' and replace them both with an apostrophe.

I had

=

I'd

you had

=

you'd

she had

=

she'd

he had

=

he'd

they had

=

they'd

we had

=

we'd

Have

If 'have' is one of the words in the contraction, remove the 'h' and the 'a' and replace them both with an apostrophe.

I have

you have

we have

they have

=

=

=

=

I've

you've

we've

they've

Not

If 'not' is one of the words in the contraction, remove the 'o' and replace it with an apostrophe.

could not

=

couldn't

do not

=

don't

does not

=

doesn't

had not

=

hadn't

have not

=

haven't

is not

=

isn't

should not

=

shouldn't

would not

=

wouldn't

But watch out!

can not = can't (remove one n) will not = won't