

SKILL BOOSTER SERIES

Contractions

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INTRODUCTION

Concentrated practice on a specific language skill will enhance and reinforce a student's knowledge and retention of that skill. This book provides a variety of activities that will lead to a good understanding of the make-up and use of contractions. Included are a pre/post test, answer key, and a contractions word list which can be used to create teacher-designed activities for additional practice.

Contractions is an effective teaching tool for many ages and ability levels. It is suitable for use in grades 3-8. Readability is on the 3rd-4th-grade level.

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Name _____

**Sometimes we put two words together and leave out one or more letters.
We replace the letter or group of letters that are left out with an
apostrophe ('). These new words are called contractions.**

was not = ***wasn't***
do not = ***don't***

can not = ***can't***
is not = ***isn't***

does not = ***doesn't***

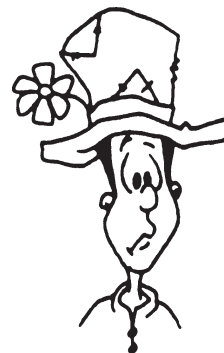
Match the words in Column A to their contractions in Column B.

A

do not
does not
was not
is not
can not

B

isn't
doesn't
don't
can't
wasn't



Write a contraction for each pair of words.

was not	_____	can not	_____
is not	_____	do not	_____
does not	_____		

Decide which contraction in parentheses fits the sentence. Write the two words that make up that contraction.

1. _____ wear that ugly hat. (Can't / Don't)
2. He _____ need my help. (doesn't / isn't)
3. She _____ going skating with us. (can't / isn't)
4. Mike _____ skate very well. (isn't / can't)
5. The blanket _____ warm. (don't / wasn't)

Write three sentences of your own using some of the contractions on this page.

Name _____

In the sentences below, circle each pair of words that could form a contraction. Then, on the lines, write the two words and the contraction they could form.

1. I can not find my coat.
2. The sky is not cloudy.
3. My telephone was not ringing.
4. The movie does not start until 8:00.
5. I hope you do not miss the bus.
6. Please do not talk so much.
7. I can not see through that window.
8. The cat and the dog do not like each other.

9. I hope it does not rain.
10. This is not going to be easy.
11. We can not be there on time.
12. My room was not clean.
13. My father is not angry.
14. The dress does not fit.



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| 1. _____ | _____ |
| 2. _____ | _____ |
| 3. _____ | _____ |
| 4. _____ | _____ |
| 5. _____ | _____ |
| 6. _____ | _____ |
| 7. _____ | _____ |
| 8. _____ | _____ |
| 9. _____ | _____ |
| 10. _____ | _____ |
| 11. _____ | _____ |
| 12. _____ | _____ |
| 13. _____ | _____ |
| 14. _____ | _____ |

Name _____

**Sometimes we put two words together and leave out one or more letters.
We replace the letter or letters that are left out with an apostrophe (').**

are not = **aren't**
had not = **hadn't**

did not = **didn't**
would not = **wouldn't**

have not = **haven't**

Match the words in Column A to their contractions in Column B.

A

did not
would not
have not
had not
are not

B

haven't
hadn't
aren't
wouldn't
didn't



Write a contraction for each pair of words.

would not _____

have not _____

had not _____

did not _____

are not _____

Decide which contraction in parentheses fits the sentence. Write the two words that make up that contraction.

1. Tom _____ get in the game. (haven't / didn't)

2. We _____ had any dinner. (haven't / aren't)

3. He _____ finished his homework. (hadn't / aren't)

4. The boys _____ going fishing. (aren't / haven't)

5. Pam _____ go to the show. (haven't / wouldn't)

Write three sentences of your own using some of the contractions on this page.

