

Contractions

A **contraction** is a word made by putting two words together. When words are joined in a contraction, an apostrophe shows where a letter or letters have been left out.

- Some contractions combine a pronoun and a verb: *I + am = I'm; he + is = he's; we + are = we're; you + will = you'll; we + will = we'll; they + are = they're.*
- Some contractions combine a verb and *not*: *can + not = can't; is + not = isn't; do + not = don't; will + not = won't; are + not = aren't.*

Contractions They're swimming in the lake, but I can't see them.

Directions Read the sentence. Then write the contraction in each sentence.

- Watch the Olympics, and you'll see some great swimmers. _____
- The Americans think they'll win many medals. _____
- I won't miss their big race tonight. _____
- I can't believe she broke the world record. _____
- Maybe we'll swim in the Olympics someday. _____

Learning to Swim

(1) Swimming is not difficult. (2) You will learn some strokes. (3) They are your arm movements. (4) I will show you a kick. (5) It is the most popular kick. (6) Don't forget to breathe correctly. (7) Breathing won't be hard for you.

<p>1 Which contraction is correct for sentence 1?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> he's <input type="radio"/> don't <input type="radio"/> isn't <input type="radio"/> we'll</p>	<p>4 Which two words form the contraction in sentence 6?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> I am <input type="radio"/> Do not <input type="radio"/> Are not <input type="radio"/> You will</p>
<p>2 Which contraction is correct for sentence 2?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> we're <input type="radio"/> I'm <input type="radio"/> won't <input type="radio"/> You'll</p>	<p>5 Which two words form the contraction in sentence 7?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> will not <input type="radio"/> can not <input type="radio"/> you will <input type="radio"/> are not</p>
<p>3 Which contraction is correct for sentence 3?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> They're <input type="radio"/> Don't <input type="radio"/> We'll <input type="radio"/> can't</p>	