Contractions
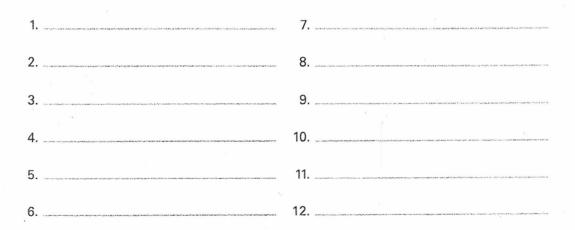
Keywords

Life is short. Who's got time for whole words? Instead of writing *I am*, we write *I'm*. And instead of saying *you will*, we say *you'll*, right? Words combined like that are called CONTRACTIONS. READ the paragraph. The words in **bold** are your keywords.

I'm sure **you've** heard it all before, but **here's** the problem: Mom will go into my room, and **she'll** start screaming because **there's** some stuff on the floor. It **isn't** the end of the world! **We've** been through this again and again. I **would've** cleaned my room, but I **don't** have the time. Mom just **doesn't** get it. I say, **let's** agree to disagree, **that's** all.

FILL IN the blanks with the **bold** words in alphabetical order.

1. ....

2. ....

3. ....

4. ....

5. ....

6. ....

7. ....

8. ....

9. ....

10. ....

11. ....

12. ....

Add It Up

FILL IN the blanks with the keyword that "solves the problem."

Example: I + am = I'm

there	+ is	=	1.	
you	+ have	=	2.	
here	+ is	=	3.	
we	+ have	=	4.	
does	+ not	=	5.	
is	+ not	=	6.	
she	+ will	=	7.	
let	+ us	=	8.	
that	+ is	=	9.	
would	+ have	=	10.	
do	+ not	=	11.	

Add It Up Again!

FILL IN the blanks with the contraction that "solves the problem."

HINT: The underlined letters get dropped.

Example: you + h<u>a</u>ve = you've

are	+ n<u>o</u>t	=	1.	_____
did	+ n<u>o</u>t	=	2.	_____
have	+ n<u>o</u>t	=	3.	_____
would	+ n<u>o</u>t	=	4.	_____
should	+ n<u>o</u>t	=	5.	_____
where	+ <u>i</u>s	=	6.	_____
they	+ <u>a</u>re	=	7.	_____
he	+ <u>i</u>s	=	8.	_____
he	+ <u>wi</u>ll	=	9.	_____
we	+ h<u>a</u>ve	=	10.	_____

Pick the One!

Every contraction has this: '. It's called an APOSTROPHE, and it goes where the dropped letter used to be. CIRCLE the contraction that has the apostrophe in the right place.

Example: theyr'e (they're)

1. shouldn't   should'nt
2. was'nt   wasn't
3. does'nt   doesn't
4. haven't   have'nt

5. ther'es   there's
6. you've   youv'e
7. aren't   are'nt
8. could'nt   couldn't

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Word Blocks

FILL IN the word blocks with words of the same shape from the list.

HINT: Watch for the apostrophes!

aren't   didn't   doesn't   she'll

they're   what's   would've   you've

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

6.

7.

8.

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