

KS2 English Quiz - Apostrophes to Mark Omission (Questions)

This KS2 English quiz takes a look at apostrophes to mark omission. Apostrophes to mark omission are used on contracted words. 'Contraction' means something which has been made smaller or shorter. When speaking, we often contract very common words: for example, 'I have' becomes 'I've' and 'you will' becomes 'you'll'. When writing, we use an apostrophe to replace the missing letters. The apostrophe shows the missing 'o' when 'do not' becomes 'don't'.

Contracted words are often used when writing dialogue because this is how the character would naturally speak. It's important to know exactly where the apostrophe goes otherwise your writing won't make much sense!

See how well you remember where the apostrophe belongs by trying this English quiz.

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- Its'
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2. Look at each pair of underlined words and choose the correct contraction.

I will take the book back to the library tomorrow.



- I'll
- I'lll
- Ill
- Iw'll

3. Look at each pair of underlined words and choose the correct contraction.

They have eaten all the ice cream!



- The'yve
- The've
- They've
- Theyv'e

4. Look at each pair of underlined words and choose the correct contraction.

You should not touch the flames.



- shouldnt'
- should'nt
- shouldn't
- shouldnt

5. Look at each pair of underlined words and choose the correct contraction.
He will not peek before Christmas day.



- willn't
- won't
- wont'
- will'nt

6. Look at each pair of underlined words and choose the correct contraction.
I have not ordered the pizza yet.



- haven't
- have'nt
- hav'ent
- havenot

7. Look at each pair of underlined words and choose the correct contraction.
She does not like any green vegetables.



- does'nt
- dos'nt
- doesn't
- dosn't

8. Look at each pair of underlined words and choose the correct contraction.
I still can not tie my shoelaces.



- can't
- cant
- ca'nt
- can't

9. Look at each pair of underlined words and choose the correct contraction.
Who is coming to the party?



- Whose
- Who's
- Whos
- Who'se

10. Look at each pair of underlined words and choose the correct contraction.
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- aren't
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