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## **Worksheet One**

This worksheet accompanies Apostrophes.

#### Contractions

Contractions are words that have been shortened or merged together, where an apostrophe is used in place of the missing letters.

What are the shortened forms of these sets of words?

1. will not	<b>→</b> .	
2. she is	> .	
3. are not		
4. we will		
5. I have		
6. should not		

Can you think of any other contractions? List them here.



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## **Worksheet Two**

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#### lts/lt's quiz

Decide whether each sentence should contain an 'its' or an 'it's'. Cross out the wrong answer.

- 1. The cat is eating its/it's dinner.
- 2. She said, "Its/It's over."
- 3. Its/It's a beautiful day.
- 4. Wow! Its/It's a remarkable achievement.
- 5. The dog had lost its/it's ball.
- 6. The peacock fanned its/it's feathers.
- 7. Oh dear its/it's not working.
- 8. My hamster runs in its/it's ball for hours.
- 9. My diamond has lost its/it's sparkle.
- 10. He said "Its/It's a miracle!"

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## **Worksheet Three**

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#### **Apostrophes activity**

Can you correct the errors in this piece of text? Many apostrophes are missing and some have been used where they shouldn't be. Circle the mistakes and then rewrite the passage, using the correct punctuation. There are nineteen mistakes to find.

My dad was born in the 1960's. He always wanted to be a race car driver, but he couldnt because his mom wouldnt let him. He argued with her all the time saying it was his life, not her's, but she won the argument. He still love's cars though. Hes got an old Porsche that he's been restoring. I really like cars too. After graduation Im going to go to technical college to be a mechanic.

My sister Gemma isnt interested in cars at all. Shes really into snowboarding. She want's to do it competitively but dad is just like his mom was and wont let her because its dangerous. She still get's to snowboard all winter though.

My little brother Ryan is a genius. Hes in 5th grade and already taking 8th grade Math classes. I cant believe how smart he is. He could probably explain Einsteins Theory of Relativity to you if you asked him! He'll probably get a 1600 on his SAT's too. He want's to be a lawyer when he grows up and make lot's of money!

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