



Apostrophes - to Form Contractions

We use an apostrophe (') to show a contraction. A contraction is a shortened version of a word. We use an apostrophe to show where there are missing letters in contractions.

Eg- I've got a new pouch

- 'I have' are contracted using an apostrophe.
- The letters 'h' & 'a' have being omitted and replaced by an apostrophe. (')

Some more examples:

- *it is – it's ('i' is replaced by an apostrophe)
- *she will – she'll ('w' & 'i' are replaced by an apostrophe)

Some exceptions are:

- *will not- won't
- *shall not- shan't

A. Complete the table using contractions. Some have been done for you.

	am	is/has	are	have	will
I		x	x	I've	
he	x		x	x	he'll
she	x		x	x	
it	x		x	x	it'll
you	x	x	you're		you'll
we	x	x	we're	we've	
they	x	x	they're		

B. Write the negative contractions of the following.

is not		had not	
are not		cannot	
was not		should not	
were not		shall not	
does not		have not	