

There are two uses for the apostrophe:



Omission

- A. The **apostrophe** is used to show where a **letter**, or **letters** are **missed out**:

isn't = is not

can't = cannot

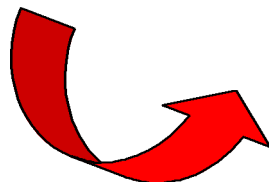
you're = you are



1. Match the **long forms** and the **contractions** below:

can't	is not
we have	will not
Simon's	we've
man-of-war	Simon is
mustn't	haven't
Have not	I've
isn't	I would
cannot	dare not
I'd	won't
man o' war	I have
daren't	must not

contraction	long form
don't	do not



Apostrophes

Ownership

- B. When we place 's' after a noun it means that it belongs to. If a word already ends in an "s" then you may add an 's' or simply ''' (an apostrophe) after it to show possession.

Place the apostrophe or 's' in the correct place to make the objects belong.

Examples: This is Peter 's' hat.
Mr. Jones' hat or Mr. Jones's hat

1. The doctors stethoscope.
2. Mrs. Williams garden.
3. The cricket players bat.
4. These are Daniels gobstoppers.
5. Les Ferdinands goals are always brilliant.
6. I was in James house.
7. This is Sallys book.

- Now write two of your own sentences for each use of the apostrophe (missing letters and ownership).