

Contractions

► Write a Spelling Word to replace the underlined words in each sentence.

1. Life was not easy for pioneers. _____
2. They did not have any luxuries. _____
3. I would miss a microwave oven. _____
4. You would miss canned food. _____
5. We have not had to chop wood. _____
6. She would like to be an actress. _____
7. Who would not like to? _____
8. I have been in a play before. _____

► Write these Spelling Words in alphabetical order.

won't	couldn't	we'd	they'd
you've	we've	hasn't	they've

9. _____
10. _____
11. _____
12. _____
13. _____
14. _____
15. _____
16. _____

► Write the following Spelling Words: *shouldn't*, *weren't*, *hadn't*, *don't*. Use your best handwriting.

17. _____
18. _____
19. _____
20. _____

SPELLING WORDS

1. *hasn't*
2. *I've*
3. *I'd*
4. *we've*
5. *wouldn't*
6. *you'd*
7. *haven't*
8. *wasn't*
9. *they've*
10. *you've*
11. *she'd*
12. *didn't*
13. *won't*
14. *shouldn't*
15. *couldn't*
16. *weren't*
17. *we'd*
18. *hadn't*
19. *they'd*
20. *don't*

Handwriting

Tip: Be careful not to connect the letter before the apostrophe to the letter after the apostrophe.

she'd

Name _____

SPELLING WORDS

1. hasn't
2. I've
3. I'd
4. we've
5. wouldn't
6. you'd
7. haven't
8. wasn't
9. they've
10. you've
11. she'd
12. didn't
13. won't
14. shouldn't
15. couldn't
16. weren't
17. we'd
18. hadn't
19. they'd
20. don't

SPELLING STRATEGY

Spelling Rules

When spelling a contraction, think about the two words the contraction stands for. Decide what letter or letters will be replaced by the apostrophe.

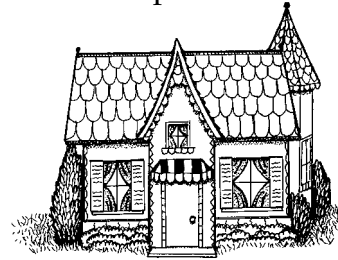
- Read the letter. Circle the six misspelled contractions. Then write the contractions correctly.

Dear Mom,

I havent written for a long time. No, I was'nt sick, but Iv'e been very busy. Trying to restore a house built in 1815 hasnt been easy! Id like you to come for a visit very soon. You'd be surprised at how nice the house looks.

I will call you soon.

Love,
Steve



1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____

- Combine the two words to write a Spelling Word.

7. we have _____
8. did not _____
9. you have _____
10. she would _____
11. they have _____
12. would not _____
13. should not _____
14. we would _____
15. had not _____

Name _____

► **Matching** Draw a line from the contraction to the two words it stands for. Then write the contraction, circling the apostrophe.

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| 1. I'd | did not | _____ |
| 2. I've | I would | _____ |
| 3. hasn't | I have | _____ |
| 4. didn't | has not | _____ |
| 5. you'd | would not | _____ |
| 6. you've | we have | _____ |
| 7. wouldn't | you would | _____ |
| 8. we've | you have | _____ |
| 9. don't | they have | _____ |
| 10. couldn't | will not | _____ |
| 11. won't | do not | _____ |
| 12. they've | we would | _____ |
| 13. we'd | could not | _____ |

► **Rhyming Riddles** Answer each riddle by writing a Spelling Word that rhymes with the underlined word.

14. What did the man say when he didn't toast the slices of bread too much?

Good thing they _____ burnt!

15. What did the girl say about the stains on her shirt?

I was sure _____ fade!

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9. *they've*
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11. *she'd*
12. *didn't*
13. *won't*
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16. *weren't*
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18. *hadn't*
19. *they'd*
20. *don't*

