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- A **contraction** is a short form of two words.
- An **apostrophe** shows where one or more letters have been left out.
- Some contractions are made by combining a verb with the word *not*.

is not isn't have not haven'thas not hasn't do not don't

Replace the underlined words with contractions. Write the new sentences on the lines.

1. There are not any clouds today.

2. The rain has not fallen yet.

3. We have not been for a walk.

4. You do not need to rake the leaves.

5. Snow is not in the weather forecast.

Grammar: Apostrophes with Contractions

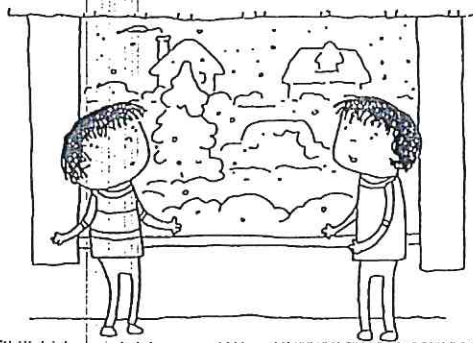
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- A **contraction** is a short form of two words.
- An **apostrophe** takes the place of the missing letter or letters when the two words are joined.

Add the apostrophe to each contraction. Write the contraction correctly on the line.

1. Walking through the snow isnt easy. _____
2. Theres a big storm coming. _____
3. We couldnt see across the street during the last storm.

4. Mom wouldnt let us go out in the storm. _____
5. Shed tell us to wait until the storm ended. _____
6. I havent seen a storm like that for many years. _____
7. We dont want another one to come. _____
8. We arent ready for such cold weather. _____



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A. Underline the two words in each sentence that could be used to form a contraction.

1. It is not hard to find amazing things in nature.
2. I have not found the fallen tree yet.
3. We can not wait for him to take us on a walk.
4. I would not take that path because of the mud.
5. She would get muddy feet on the path.
6. He could not clean his boots.
7. There is a better path than that.
8. We are not in a hurry.

B. Write the contractions from above on the lines below.

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

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drops

excite

outdoors

pale

**A. Choose the word that makes sense for each clue.
Write the word on the line.**

1. to give a strong feeling of enjoyment _____
2. not inside a building _____
3. very light in color _____
4. small amounts of liquid _____

**B. Complete each sentence with a word from the
box above.**

5. We play _____ when the weather is nice.
6. I spilled some _____ of paint on the floor.
7. The sky was _____ blue in the early morning.
8. Squirrels playing outside the window will _____
our cat for hours.

**C. Choose one vocabulary word from the box above.
Write the word in a sentence of your own.**

9. _____

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Read the poem. Use the visualize strategy to form pictures in your mind about what happens in the poem.

The First Skate

The temperature has been below freezing for days.

- 08 The pond is frozen now,
13 The ice is as smooth as glass.
20 I can ice skate outdoors
25 For the first time this winter.
31 I put on my skates and lace them up tight.
41 Then I step onto the ice and push off.
50 Right foot, left foot, right foot, left foot,
58 I glide over the ice like a bird.
66 I spin in a circle and start over again.

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- 75 I look up,
78 Overhead, the sky curves like a blue bowl.
86 I look down,
89 Below the ice, frozen bubbles look like crystal beads.
98 As I skate, the cool breeze feels like cold fingers on my face,
111 My cheeks turn as red as apples.
118 I'm warm inside, though,
122 It feels like a fire glowing,
128 As I skate round and round the pond.
136 I keep telling myself, "One more time,"
143 Until at last it is the last time and I step off the ice,
157 Land-bound once again.

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A. Reread the passage and answer the questions.

1. What was the setting of the poem?

2. What did the girl do?

3. What is the theme of the poem?

B. Work with a partner. Read the passage aloud. Pay attention to how you pause and group words together. Stop after one minute. Fill out the chart.

	Words Read	—	Number of Errors	=	Words Correct Score
First Read		—		=	
Second Read		—		=	

r-Controlled Vowels *are, air, ear, ere*/*r*-Controlled Vowel Syllables

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The letters ***are, air, ear,*** and ***ere*** can stand for the vowel sound you hear in ***air***.

A. Read each row of words. Circle the word that has the same vowel sound as in *care*. Write the word on the line. Then underline the letters that spell the vowel sound.

1. peek paint pear _____

2. where wheel when _____

3. date dare dance _____

4. chore chair chase _____

5. hair here hard _____

6. bark bean bear _____

When a vowel or a pair of vowels is followed by the letter ***r***, it changes the vowel sound. The vowels and the ***r*** stay in the same syllable.

B. Read each word. Draw a line between the syllables.

7. haircut

8. airport

9. turkey

10. perfect

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A Rainy Day

The rain is pouring, pouring down,
It's so boring to stay inside.
The rain is dripping, dripping slowly.
Is it going to rain all day?
The rain is stopping, stopping now.
I can go outside and have some fun!



Answer the questions about the text.

1. How do you know this text is a poem?

2. What words does the poet repeat in the poem?

3. Why do you think the poet uses repetition?

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A **simile** compares two different things using the word **like** or **as**.

Read the lines from the poem. Answer the questions. Then explain what each simile means.

1. The ice is as smooth as glass.

What two things does the author compare?

Meaning: _____

2. Overhead, the sky curves like a blue bowl.

What two things does the author compare?

Meaning: _____

3. Below the ice, frozen bubbles look like crystal beads.

What two things does the author compare?

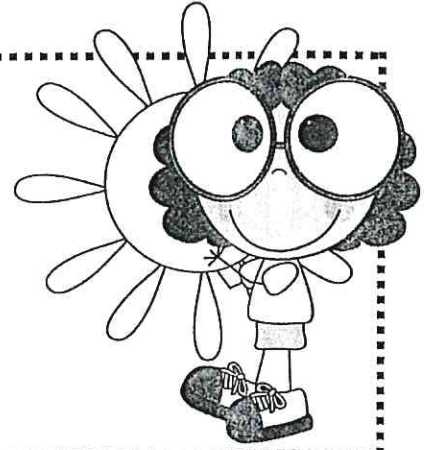
Meaning: _____

4. My cheeks turn as red as apples.

What two things does the author compare?

Meaning: _____

This Week's Spelling Words:



1. dare

9. where

2. stare

10. there

3. fare

11. dear

4. hair

12. cheers

5. pair

13. knew

6. chair

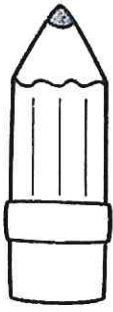
14. never

7. bear

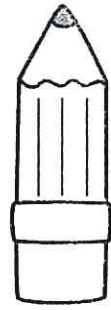
15. talk

8. pear

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Spelling Homework



Write your spelling words in
ABC order.

1.

2.

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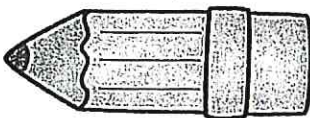
11.

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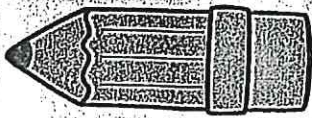


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Spelling Homework

Write each word 5 times for practice.

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11.					
12.					
13.					
14.					
15.					



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Pouring Down New Vocabulary

Read each card and choose the correct vocabulary word to complete the sentence. Write the vocabulary word on the lines below next to each card number.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

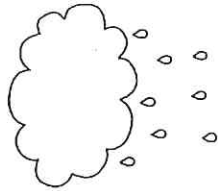
5. _____

6. _____

7. _____

8. _____

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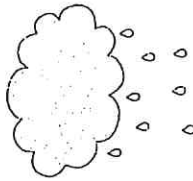
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1.

The birthday party on Sunday will _____ the children.

drops excite

outdoors pale

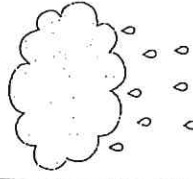


2.

Sarah felt a few _____ of rain on her head when she walked outside.

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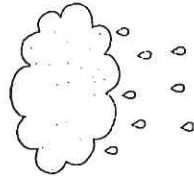


3.

My favorite shirt is a _____ pink shirt with a star on it.

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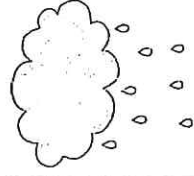


4.

When we go camping, I enjoy being _____.

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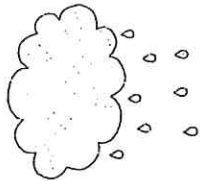


5.

The prettiest flower in the garden is a _____ purple color.

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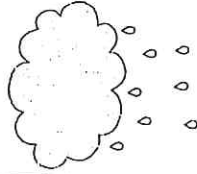


6.

Mom said we can only play baseball _____.

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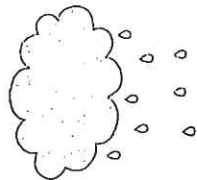


7.

I could hear _____ of water coming from the water faucet.

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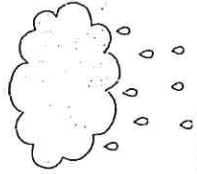


8.

The sound of knocking at a door will _____ my dogs.

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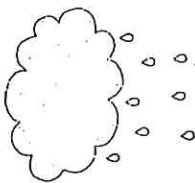


9.

My family and I like to sleep
in a tent _____ in our
backyard sometimes.

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10.

I spilled a few _____ of
apple juice on the table.

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outdoors pale

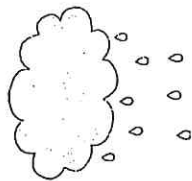


11.

Winning a big prize for the
contest will _____ Timmy.

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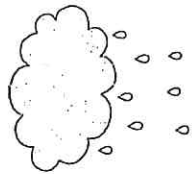


12.

The koala bear ate some
_____ green leaves from the
tree.

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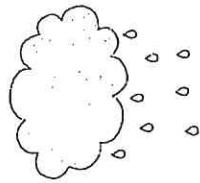


13.

I always take off my jacket
and boots when I come in from
the _____.

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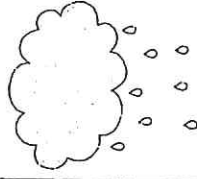


14.

When Doug was sick, his skin
turned a _____ color.

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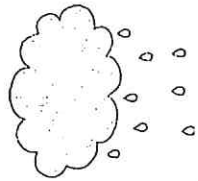


15.

The player's homerun hit
started to _____ the team.

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16.

Huge _____ of rain fell
from the dark clouds above.

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