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Unit 3 Nouns

Lesson 23: Contractions with *Not* (pp. 104–107)

Remember

A **contraction** is made by joining two words together. An apostrophe (') takes the place of any letters that are left out. Some contractions are formed by joining a verb with the word *not*.

Write a contraction for the pair of words in parentheses to complete each sentence.

1. James _____ **didn't** _____ bring his lunch. (did not)
2. My little brother _____ **isn't** _____ afraid of the dark. (is not)
3. Whales _____ **aren't** _____ fish. (are not)
4. The dog _____ **wouldn't** _____ sit still. (would not)
5. Bumblebees _____ **don't** _____ sting people. (do not)
6. Those sneakers _____ **weren't** _____ the right size for me. (were not)
7. The snowstorm _____ **hasn't** _____ started yet. (has not)
8. Marissa _____ **hadn't** _____ ever flown on a plane before. (had not)
9. We _____ **couldn't** _____ read the faded handwriting. (could not)
10. I _____ **shouldn't** _____ stay on the phone too long. (should not)
11. Ostriches _____ **can't** _____ climb trees. (can not)
12. The baby _____ **wasn't** _____ sleepy. (was not)
13. Our guests _____ **haven't** _____ arrived yet. (have not)
14. That electric fan _____ **doesn't** _____ make any noise. (does not)
15. Mom _____ **won't** _____ let us eat ice cream before dinner. (will not)