A contraction is a short way of saying and writing two words.

An apostrophe takes the place of letters that have been left out.

Examples:
can not — can’t she is — she’s has not — hasn’t
they will — they’ll I am — I’m we will — we’ll
who is — who’s were not — weren’t
Proper nouns are special names for people, places, animals and things. They begin with capital letters.

Days of the week, months of the year and holidays are proper nouns — and begin with a capital letter.

Examples:

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