A contraction is a short way of saying two words.

An apostrophe takes the place of the letters that are left out.

First, look at the word that comes before the apostrophe. Then, blend it with what comes after the apostrophe.

**EXAMPLES**

didn’t  we’re  I’ve  we’ve

don’t  can’t  he’d  could’ve

you’re  I’ll  won’t  shouldn’t

they’re  I’d  they’d  she’d