

Area of English: Writing

Skill: Contractions

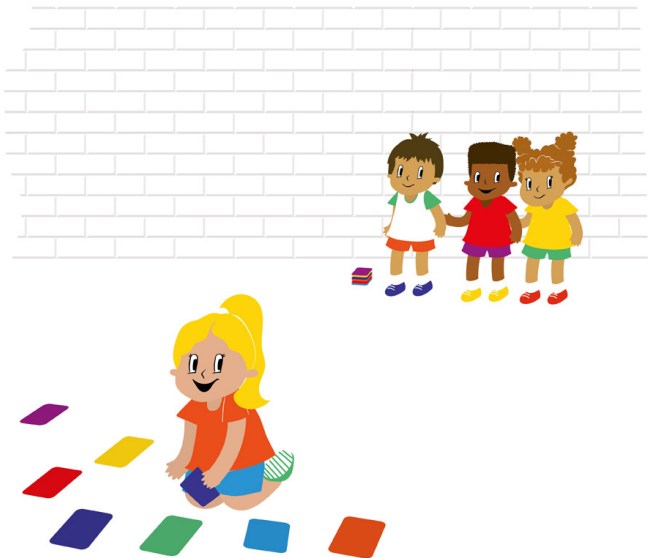
## YOU WILL NEED...

### Resources:

There are downloadable resources available to accompany this lesson.

### Equipment:

Large sheet of paper for each team, pens, Blu Tack and 5 relay batons.



### Instructions:

1. You will need to stage this lesson in a space where the children can run in a straight line.
2. Find something to stick the extended word cards on at the far end of the space (wall/ door/ flipchart/ large piece of card) to create a word bank.
3. Children get into teams of six and stand at the other end of the room on the 'start line'.
4. When the whistle sounds, the first person in each team runs to the word bank and selects a card they think their team will be able to answer.
5. The pupil runs back to their team and passes the baton to the next person who runs to the word bank and collects another extended word.
6. Meanwhile, the team works out what the contracted word form is and writes it on the team recording sheet.
7. Once all team members have run and collected a card, first place goes to the team who come in first and have all their contractions formed correctly.

### Teacher Tip:

Once the teams are in, use a whiteboard/ flipchart to go through the answers. This will help the formation of contractions to be reiterated visually and allow children to receive immediate feedback.

