

Max the Monkey's Apostrophe Adventure

Learning objective: To use apostrophes for contraction and possession correctly in sentences.

Max the Monkey is looking for things that belong to his friends, and he needs to shorten some words to help him write his diary! Read the prompts below. Use an apostrophe (') for possession (e.g., 'the monkey's banana') or for contractions (e.g., 'he's' instead of 'he is'). Fill in the boxes with your own sentences.

Word bank: can't · don't · it's · I'm · Pip's · Nova's · Ellie's · Leo's

1. Possession: Write a sentence about an item that belongs to Pip the caterpillar. Use an apostrophe for possession. (2 marks)

2. Contraction: Max says he is happy to help. Write a sentence using the contraction 'I'm' to tell us how Max feels today. (2 marks)

3. Possession: Choose another BookFlik friend (like Nova, Ellie, or Leo) and write a sentence about something they own. (2 marks)

4. Contraction: Max is busy solving a maths puzzle. Write a sentence about what Max 'can't' do yet. (2 marks)

5. Challenge: Write one sentence that uses both an apostrophe for possession and an apostrophe for a contraction. (3 marks)

Extension challenge: Pick your favourite BookFlik character and write a short story of three sentences about them, ensuring you include at least one apostrophe for possession and one for a contraction.