Contractions with Pronouns

Lewis and Clark Grammar: Contractions

Lesson 25

You can make contractions with pronouns and some helping verbs. Use an apostrophe (') to take the place of the letter or letters dropped.

I + am = I'm	he + is = he's
they + are = they're	she + has = she's
you + have = you've	he + had = he'd

Thinking Question Which word is made up of a pronoun and a verb?

1-4. Write a contraction for the underlined words.

- 1. You will like the article about the Grand Canyon.
- 2. He is planning to go with us.
- 3. She walked the Appalachian Trail, but he said he would never do it.
- 4. We have been to the Rocky Mountains.

5–8. Rewrite each sentence to use a contraction for each pronoun and helping verb.

- 5. I am reading a book about Lewis and Clark.
- 6. Thomas Jefferson knew he would be expanding U.S. territory.
- 7. He has found a map of the Louisiana Territory.
- 8. If you would only listen to this story about the Oregon Trail.