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For example:

do not  don^o t  don't

Using apostrophes

Can you rewrite these sentences and use an apostrophe to contract the underlined words?

1. He would not stop shouting.

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2. 'I am really cross with you!' shouted mum.

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3. He is looking very pleased with himself.

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4. I would have had a house point if I had remembered to do my homework.

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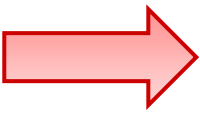
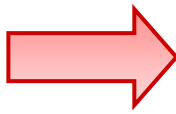
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Can you rewrite these sentences and, where possible, use an apostrophe to contract the words?

1. He would not stop shouting and my ears were hurting!

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2. 'I am really cross with you!' shouted mum.

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3. 'He is looking very pleased with himself.' I thought.

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4. I would have had a house point if I had remembered to do my homework.

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5. 'Barbara can not reach the top shelf.' I said.

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1. 'I could not do my homework, I was not feeling well,' said Sam.

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2. 'It is not there, I have not got it,' I said.

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3. 'I do not know how it happened, it was not my fault' said Ann.

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4. I can not remember what happened but I think he is going to be alright.

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5. I would not go the shops because I did not have any money.

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