Contractions Worksheet: Form and Expand Word Pairs

Worked example / complete source key

Form a contraction from the word pair 'they are'. Then expand the contraction 'we'll' into two words.

Answer: they're; we will

Reason: For 'they are', the letters 'a' and 'e' are omitted and replaced by an apostrophe, giving 'they're'. For 'we'll', the contraction is formed from 'we will' by omitting 'wil' and replacing it with an apostrophe, giving 'we'll'; the expansion is 'we will'. Both answers follow the handwriting convention: no internal space in the contraction, and a normal space in the expansion.