Lesson 14

Contractions

A **contraction** is a short way of writing two words.
An **apostrophe** stands for the missing letters.

A. First, write the contraction that best completes each sentence. Then, write the two words that form the contraction.

1. I wish _____ (you'd, they're) join the dance committee.

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2. We feel _____ (you'll, you've) be a real leader in planning!

   _____

3. The group thinks that _____ (we'll, we're) have the best year yet. _____

4. _____ (Weren't, We're) counting on you to join us.

   _____

5. _____ (I've, I'm) certain you really can help.

   _____

6. We _____ (can't, could've) take a vote until all the members are here. _____

B. Underline the contraction in each sentence. Write the two words that it stands for on the line.

7. Where's the movie section of the newspaper? _____
8. Do you think you've got enough money for a ticket and popcorn?

   _____

9. Let's try to be on time. _____
10. We'd better hurry if we want to get good seats. _____
11. Dena doesn't like sitting in the back of the theater. _____
12. She'll be waiting for us inside the lobby. _____

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