

Short forms

You have learnt how to join two words, one of which is **not**.

is not	isn't
was not	wasn't
does not	doesn't
has not	hasn't

Notice that the ' stands for the **o** which is left out.

We can also join **is** to another word in this way.

he is	he's
she is	she's
it is	it's
who is	who's
that is	that's
what is	what's
where is	where's
there is	there's

Remember that the ' stands for the **i** which is left out.

Write these sentences, joining the two words in bold type in each.

- 1 Brian says **he is** too busy to play.
- 2 I think **that is** a lovely dress.
- 3 Clare is tall, and **she is** pretty, too.
- 4 Thank goodness **it is** a fine day.
- 5 We can't work when **there is** a noise in the room.
- 6 I can guess **what is** in the box.
- 7 I wonder **who is** going to the party tonight.
- 8 **It is** not raining now.
- 9 Roger **does not** like going to town.
- 10 The pears **are not** quite ripe.

