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- 1 Capital letters occur at the beginning of a word. They signify the name of something or the beginning of a new sentence. They are also used for titles (eg. *Eric's Travel Diary*), abbreviations (eg. TV) and for emphasis (eg. WOW! Or NO TELEVISION). Read the following sentences and circle the words that Eric would have emphasised by using capitals. The first sentence has been done for you.

- a Here come the mountains now. Wow!
- b I said, please don't make me go, Mum.
- c I've had lots of lemonade.
- d Because of Aunt Matilda, I won't be watching TV for four whole weeks.
- e It'll take at least a week to get there, maybe more.
- f There's no tv, no electricity and no cars. Why does she want to go there?



- 2 Contractions are words that have letters missing. An apostrophe is used to signify missing letters. Eric uses many contractions in his journal, which reflects his informal writing style. Fill in the gaps in the table below. The first one has been done for you.

Expanded form — two words		Contraction
she	had	she'd
		I'll
		hasn't
we	are	
		we'll
		that's
we	would	
		wasn't
we	have	
		wouldn't
he	is	

Looking back and making connections

On the back of this page make a list of five things that Eric could have done prior to the trip that would have improved his attitude about going on a trekking holiday.

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1 Who am I? Reread Chapter 12 for clues.

- a A person who journeys to a sacred place as an act of devotion. I am a _____
- b A person who buys and sells. I am a _____
- c A person who practises the Asian religion of worshipping Buddha. I am a _____
- d A person who practises the religion that most Indian people practise. I am a _____

2 Use the chart below to sort and write the following words in their plural forms.

person, tourist, city, bus, temple, monkey, pony, child, refugee, policeman, statue

Word type	General rule	Example	Words
Most nouns	Make plural by simply adding 's'	trail — trails	
Words ending in 'ch', 'sh', 'o', 's', 'x' or 'z'	Make plural by adding 'es'	atlas — atlases	
Some nouns	Change the vowels	woman — women	
Words ending in 'y' (not words ending in 'ey')	Drop the 'y' and add 'ies'	baby — babies	
Some nouns	The plural is a new word altogether		