

Lesson 7

Parts of Speech - Verbs

The use of *helping verbs* causes certain changes in *verb phrases* that we need to be able to recognize. One change is the use of *contractions* (contractions are two or more words combined together with an apostrophe).

As mentioned before, it's a good idea to memorize the *helping verbs*. If you haven't memorized them, take a few minutes to learn them.

Group 1: is, am, are, was, were

Group 2: be, being, been

Group 3: has, have, had

Group 4: do, does, did

Group 5: shall, will, should, would

Group 6: may, might, must, can, could

Instructions: List the *contractions* in the following sentences.

- 1. I've done it again.
- 2. You aren't going with us.
- 3. She's staying to tend the kids.