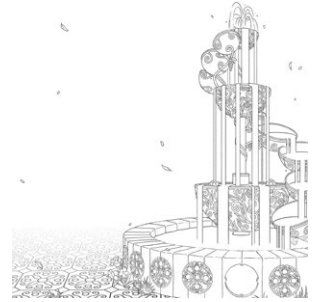


Apostrophes for Contraction and Possession

Read these sentences from the story 'Cole's Kingdom'. The words containing an apostrophe have been underlined.

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Write the words containing an apostrophe in the correct column of the table. If the word is a contraction, write the longer form in the last column. One has been done for you.



Possession	Contraction	Longer Form
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Challenge:

Write the missing contraction words into the sentence below to replace the longer forms.

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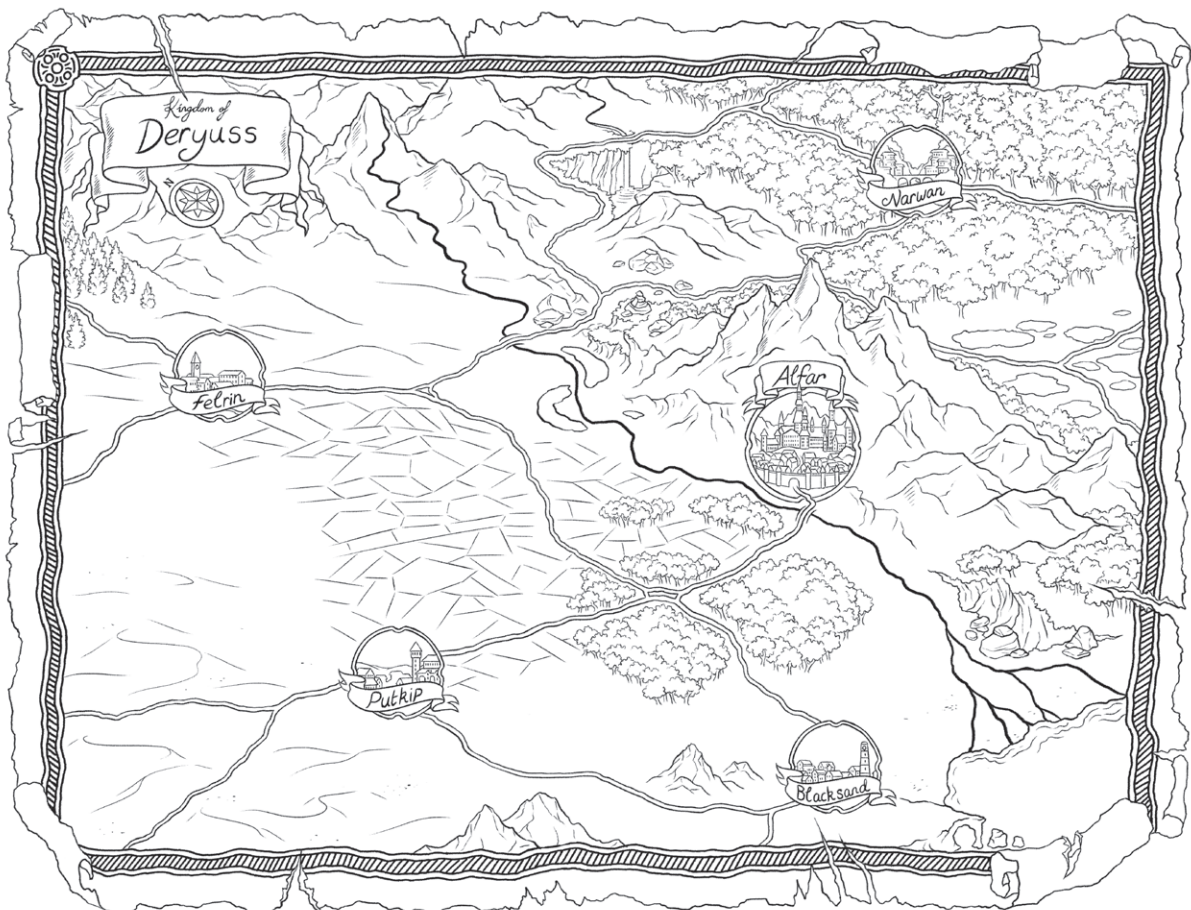
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Underneath each word in the table, write the longer form for the words that use an apostrophe for **contraction**.

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Rewrite these sentences, replacing the longer phrases with contractions.

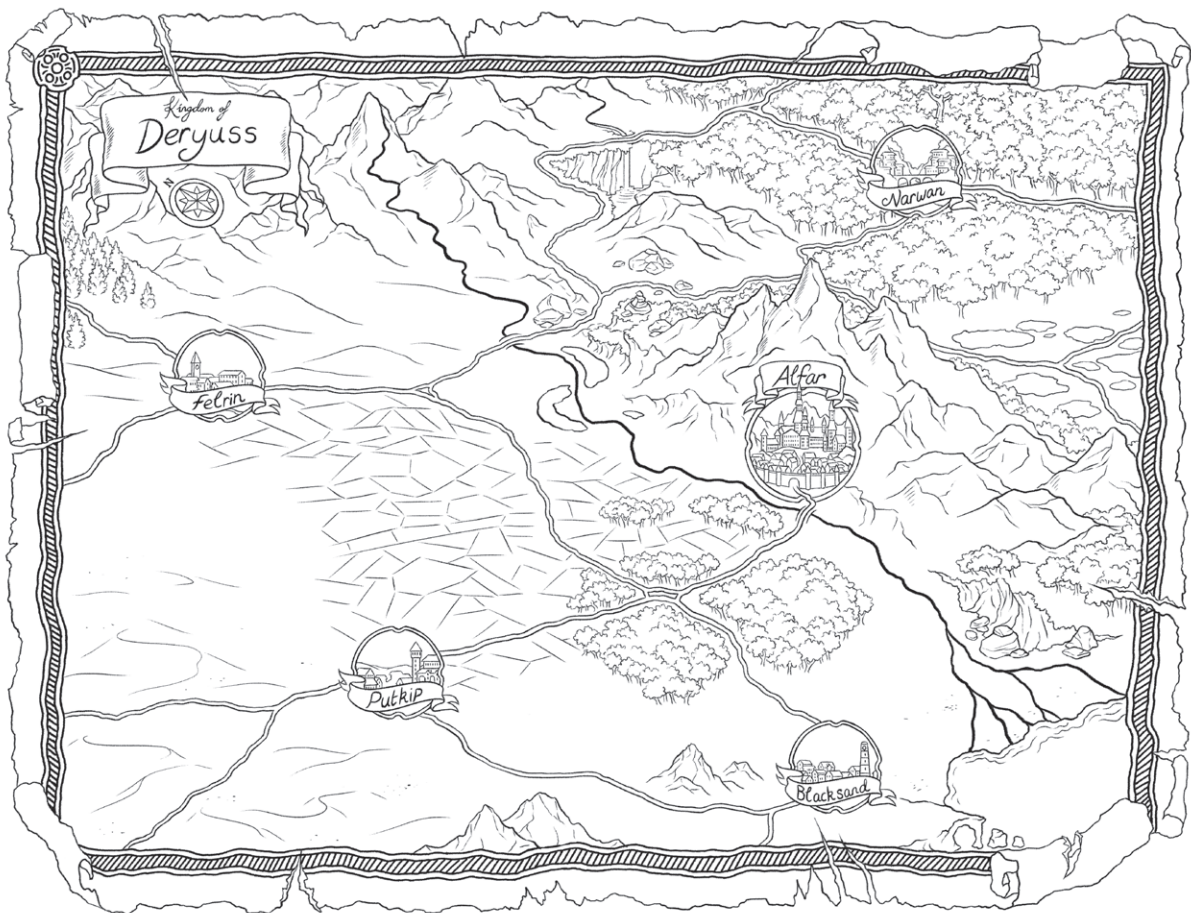
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