# **Matthew's Toy Rocket**

#### don't

#### **▶** contraction

• Informal, short version of **do not**. Normally used when speaking, e.g. "I don't understand."

#### can't

#### **▶** contraction

• Informal, short version of cannot. Normally used when speaking, e.g. *I Can't wait to go to the temple on Saturday*.

#### isn't

#### **▶** contraction

• Informal, short version of **is not**. Normally used when expressing the negative or asking a question (confirming something that the speaker feels to be true), e.g. "Isn't it raining outside? Isn't it time we left? Isn't the work too hard for you? He isn't my friend; It isn't raining, it is snowing.

#### aren't

#### **▶** contraction

• Short, informal version of **are not (plural form of Isn't)**; used for asking questions, e.g. *Aren't you seeing him today?" Aren't they coming today?* 

#### wasn't

#### **▶** contraction

• Short version of **was not.** Normally used when speaking *e.g. I wasn't sure you heard me; He told me that he wasn't going to come.* 

#### weren't

#### **▶** contraction

• Short version of were not. Normally used when speaking, e.g. Weren't you surprised?

#### hadn't

#### **▶** contraction

• Short version of **had not.** Normally used when speaking, e.g Hadn't you ever seen him before that? He told me that he hadn't had lunch yet, so I said that I would wait for him.

#### hasn't

#### **▶** contraction

• Short version of **has not.** Normally used when speaking and asking questions, e.g. *Hasn't he told you were we are going yet? Hasn't it stopped raining yet? He hasn't come so we are leaving without him.* 

#### haven't

#### **▶** contraction

• Short version of **have not (plural form of 'hasn't).** Normally used when speaking, asking questions, e.g." *Haven't you seen that film? Haven't you ever heard of Sacchin Tandulker? I haven't seen him today.* 

#### didn't

#### **▶** contraction

• Short version of **did not.** Normally used when speaking, *e.g* "We asked her, but she didn't want to come to the temple; You didn't tell me that you would be late today; Didn't I tell you that I was not coming to school yesterday?

#### mustn't

### **▶** contraction

• Short version of **must not**. Normally used when speaking (not for questions), e.g. *You mustn't touch the hot stove*.

#### age

#### **▶** noun

• Length or period of time of existence, e.g. What is her age? At what age did your baby start speaking?



#### ▶noun

- 1. A wise person, pandit, e.g. The sage gave a class on Srimad Bhagavatam.
- 2. A type of plant which can be used in Italian cooking, e.g. The cook put in sage into the pan.





## change

## ▶verb [change, changing, changed]

- 1. To make a something different, e.g. I'm changing my clothes; You need to change your attitude!
- 2. To exchange from something to something else, e.g. I need to change these American dollars into Rupees.

#### **▶** noun

• To become different, e.g. A change is as good as a holiday! I need a change of atmosphere! Bring a change of clothes with you (i.e. spare clothes).



## strange

- **▶** adjective
  - 1. Unusual, odd, e.g. "That's a strange looking horse."
  - 2. To have a feeling of being uncomfortable, e.g. I feel strange when I go to a christian church because it is to quiet.

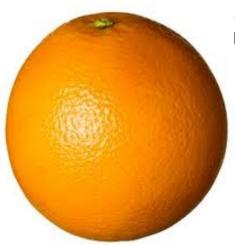


## huge

- **▶** adjective
  - Large, e.g. Aghasur was a huge snake who swallowed Krishna and the cowherd boys.

## large

- adjective
  - Big, e.g. Look at the large cat! I would like a large piece of cake, not a small piece.



## orange

- noun
  - 1. A fruit, e.g. Do you like oranges or apples?
  - 2. A colour, e.g. Your orange dhoti looks beautiful.



## baggage

- **▶** noun
  - Suitcases, bags when traveling, *e.g. Do you have a lot of baggage?*

## cabbage

- **▶** noun
  - A type of vegetable, e.g. Do you like potato and cabbage curry?

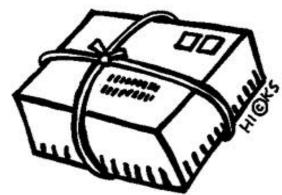






## carriage

- **▶** noun
  - 1. A wheeled vehicle, pushed by a horse, e.g. *She rode in a carriage to her wedding*.
  - 2. Train compartment, e.g. In which number carriage is my seat?



## package

- **▶** noun
  - A bundle of an item usually packed or wrapped, e.g. Her package arrived with the books she ordered.

## village

- **▶** noun
  - A small community or group of houses in a rural area, e.g. Her village was located to the north of Delhi.



## cottage

#### noun

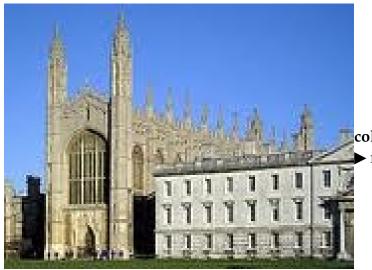
house, usually of only one story, e.g. The cottage had a small stream and large trees.



#### voyage

#### **▶** noun

• A journey to a destination, e.g. Rama went on a long voyage to find Sita, We went on a sailing voyage.





## college

**▶** noun

• An institution of higher learning, e.g. She decided to attend college in England to get her degree; I go to Sandipani Muni Inter-college.

#### gent

**▶** noun

Man, e.g. This is the gents bathroom.



## gem

noun

• (also called 'gemstone') A precious stone , e.g. "What a beautiful gem on your ring.

### gentle

- ➤ verb
  - To be kind and caring, e.g. *Be gentle with the baby.*
- **▶** adjective
  - Mild, e.g. A gentle wind was blowing; He is a gentleman; She is a gentle woman.

#### general

- **▶** adjective
  - 1. Not limited to one area, e.g. In general, the students here are good; Please give me a general introduction to computers.
  - 2. Senior officer in the army, *e.g.* "Let me introduce General Smith"





### magic

#### noun

• The art of using illusion as entertainment, e.g. Did you see the magic trick? Bheem's son Ghatodkatch can do magic!



## engine

### **noun**

• A piece of machinery, a motor, e.g. Aeroplanes and cars have engines; A generator is a type of engine.



## engineer

noun

• A person who designs or makes engines, e.g. The engineers in the picture are studying the map; A bad engineer designed the bridge and it fell down.



## pigeon

#### **▶** noun

• A type of gray coloured bird, e.g. The pigeon flew over the house.



## giant

#### noun

• A being with human form but superhuman size, e.g. Sarah went to meet the big friendly giant.

## **▶** adjective

• Huge; remarkably large, e.g. The giant rabbit came out of the hole.

### giraffe

#### **▶** noun

• A type of African animal, with a long neck, *e.g. The giraffes were playing in the jungle* 



## ginger

#### **▶** noun

• A type of plant used in cooking and medicine. e.g. I like lots of ginger in my curry; When I have a cold and cough, I drink ginger tea.



## badge

#### **▶** noun

A small picture that is pinned on clothing, e.g. He wore his policeman badge on his shirt.

## badger

#### **▶** noun

• A type of mammal animal found in England, e.g. *The badger crept into the garden.* 





## **edge** ▶ noun

• A line or border at which surface ends, e.g. Road runner is on the edge of the cliff, Coyote has fallen off the edge; Don't go close to the edge of the roof.

## hedge

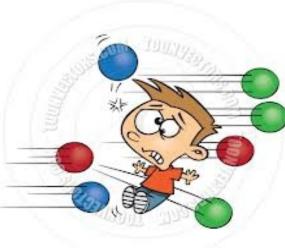
#### noun

• A row of bushes or small trees planted close together, e.g.

Instead of a brick wall,

I have a hedge around my property.





## ledge

#### **▶** noun

• A narrow projecting part (horizontal), *e.g. The woman is standing on the ledge.* 





• A structure spanning and providing passage over a river or road, e.g. There were lots of cars on the bridge.



▶ noun

• A food made of oatmeal, wheat or rice, mostly

eaten with milk and sugar, e.g. "I love porridge for breakfast!

## lodge

#### noun

• A holiday house or hotel, e.g. "I'm

staying at my lodge in the mountains; When you come to Vrindavan, you can stay at 'Krishna Comfort Lodge'.

## ▶ verb [lodge, lodging, lodged]

- 1. To submit (for forms only), e.g. Please lodge your Resume at the principal's office; I have lodged a leave application.
- 2. Stuck, e.g. The tablet got lodged in her throat.



## dodge

## ▶ verb [dodge, dodging, dodged]

• To move quickly to avoid being hit, e.g. He dodged away from the oncoming car; The kids were playing dodge-ball.

## judge

#### **▶** noun

• A public officer who hears and decides cases in court, e.g. *The judge looked at the witness.* 

## ▶ verb [judge, judges, judging, judged]

• To form an opinion, e.g. You can't judge a book by it's cover! Don't judge people by the clothes they wear.



## fudge

#### **▶** noun

An English sweet similar to soan papadi, e.g. The girl ate all the fudge.



## ▶ verb [nudge, nudging, nudged]

 To push slightly or gently, especially with the elbow, to get someone's attention, prod someone into action, e.g. He nudged his friend with his elbow; The cows nudged each other.

#### author

#### ▶ noun

The writer of a book, e.g. Did you meet the author of the book? Urmila mataji is the Author of Mathew's Toy Rocket.



#### auto

#### ➤ Noun

- 1. [In India] autorickshaw, e.g. I took an auto from Vrindavan to Mathura.
- 2. Automobile, also referred to as a car, e.g. He went to an auto parts store to buy a horn for his car.









- **▶** adjective
  - 1. Independent, not needing instruction, e.g. He automatically stood up to greet the new arrival.
  - 2. Without gears, e.g. This is an automatic car, there are no gears.

#### fault

#### **▶** noun

- 1. Responsibility for failure or a wrongful act, e.g. It is my fault because I forgot to tell you; It is nobody's fault that we are late, we are late due to the rain.
- 2. A defect or imperfection, flaw, e.g. What is the fault in me that makes me fail so many classes?

#### haul

## ► verb [haul, hauling, hauled]

• To pull or draw with force, e.g. They hauled the boat up to the beach; The car is hauling the trailer.



#### haunt

# ► verb [haunt, haunting, haunted]

- 1. To visit or appear too frequently as a spirit or ghost, *e.g. After my death I will come*
- back to earth to haunt you!To disturb or distress, cause

to have anxiety, e.g. *His experience of the train crash haunted him every time he rode on the train.* 

#### jaunt

#### **▶** noun

• A short journey, especially taken for pleasure, *e.g. He took a jaunt to the forest*.

#### launch

## ► verb [launch, launching, launched]

• To begin, initially (used with careers, courses, cars, ships), e.g. The is about to launch; They are launching the new book in September; I am ready to launch my career as a politician.





• The eight month of the calendar year, e.g. "His birthday is in August."

#### soft

## **▶** adjective

• Smooth and nice to touch, e.g. The chick is soft; The pillow was very soft.

#### gone

## ▶ verb [go, going, gone, have gone]

• No longer present, e.g. I think he has gone to the shop; The demon is dead and gone; He has gone away for some time; Do you know where he has gone?





### strong

#### **▶** adjective

• Physically, mentally or emotionally tough in nature, e.g. She picked up the box full of books because she is very strong.

#### coffee

#### **▶** noun

• A beverage with caffeine, e.g. Sarah drinks coffee in the

morning; She likes to drink black coffee, with no milk because it is stronger than milk coffee.

#### about

## **▶** preposition

• Of, concerning, in regard to, e.g. This is a book about Krishna.

#### **▶** adjective

• Near; close to, around, e.g. He is about my height (i.e. around the same height).

#### **▶** adverb

• Nearly, almost, e.g. Dinner is just about ready.

#### again

#### **▶** adverb

• Once more, another time, repeat, e.g. Please spell your name again; Please tell me again, sorry, I forgot; Why are you late again?



#### **▶** *a*djective

1. Fearful, scared, e.g. I am afraid to go to the city





- alone; When Aghasura swallowed Nanda Baba, he was afraid so he called out to Krishna.
- 2. To sorry that, e.g. I'm afraid we can't go to the shop today.

#### agree

## ▶ verb [agree, agreeing, agreed]

1. To have the same views, emotions, e.g. I agree with you that the blue colour looks nicer than the white; We will go at 10 o'clock, agreed?

2. To give consent; to say yes, e.g. I agree to meet you once a week; Did your mother agree to let

you stay back after school to do practice for the cultural program?

#### alone

## **▶** adjective

• Separate from others, e.g. He was sitting on the rock, all alone; Did you go to the hospital alone or did you take someone with you? She is new in school and is feeling alone.

## away

## **▶** adjective

• To be gone from a place, e.g. She's away from her desk at the moment; She is away on holiday; I want to go away from here!



#### allow

## ▶ verb [allow, allowing, allowed]

• To give permission, e.g. Does your mother allow you to go to the shops alone? I am not allowed to watch movies.

#### across

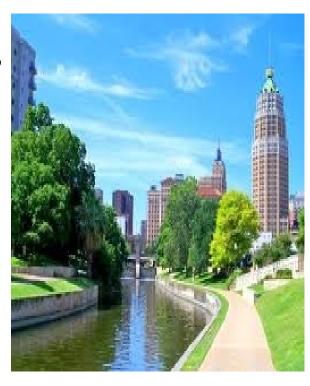
## **▶** preposition

• On or to the other side, e.g. The bridge goes across the river; I swam across the river; Look across at the person sitting next to you.

## along

## **▶** preposition

• Through, on, beside, over, e.g. There is a path that goes alone the river; I went for a walk along the Yamuna.





#### America

#### proper noun

• A republic in the North Western Hemisphere

## asleep



## ▶ adjective

• Sleeping, e.g. Please talk quietly, my baby is asleep; Manisha was falling asleep during the film.

#### alive

- adjective
  - 1. Having life, existing, not dead or lifeless, e.g. My father is no longer alive, he died a few years ago.
  - 2. Lively, energetic, e.g. The party was always alive with music; The students were falling asleep so the teacher shouted, "Okay class, look alive!"

## pretend

- **▶** adjective
  - To appear falsely, to deceive, e.g. He was wearing a mask and pretending to be a dog; Do not pretend that you are asleep, I saw you talking on the phone just now.

#### present

- ▶ adjective [stress on first syllable]
  - 1. Not absent, e.g. I was not absent from class yesterday, I was present.
  - 2. Occurring at this time now, e.g. Queen Elizabeth is the present Queen of England.
- ▶ noun [stress on first syllable]
  - A gift, e.g. This is a present for you.
- ➤ verb [stress on last syllable] [present, presenting, presented]
  - To make a presentation, e.g. Neil will now present his book report to the class.

#### remember

- ▶ verb[remember, remembering, remembered]
  - To retain in the memory, opposite of forget, e.g. Remember Krishna, never forget him; Please try to remember to come to my birthday party.

#### repeat

- ► verb [repeat, repeating, repeated]
  - To say or do again, e.g. Can you repeat the question please?