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Weekly Dose Omit the Apostrophe "s"

Did you ever notice there are always exceptions to the rules of shortforms, well, at least sometimes?

QUESTION: What if you added a "s" and apostrophe "s" to a shortform, is that ok?

ANSWER: When an "s" or apostrophe "s" is added to most shortforms, **use the shortform**. But do not use the shortforms with the following three exceptions.

- abouts ⠠⠠⠠⠠⠠⠠⠠⠠
- almos@s ⠠⠠⠠⠠⠠⠠⠠⠠⠠
- hims ⠠⠠⠠⠠⠠

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