Reductions & Contractions Quiz

A. **And/or**: Listen to the phrases. Fill in the blanks with *and* or *or*. (12 pts)
   1. right ______ wrong.
   2. black ______ white
   3. off ______ on
   4. June ______ July
   5. chocolate ______ vanilla
   6. play the piano ______ sing

B. **Can vs. can’t**: Listen to the following sentences. Circle *can* or *can’t*. (10 pts)
   1. I can / can’t swim.
   2. You can / can’t drive.
   3. He can / can’t play the piano.
   4. She can / can’t play soccer.
   5. We can / can’t bring cake to the party.

C. **Contractions**: You will hear a sentence. Listen carefully to the contraction. Write the contraction you hear. (20 pts)
   1. _____________ a student.
   2. _____________ already seen that.
   3. _____________ like French fries
   4. _____________ be at home.
   5. That _____________ right.
   6. _____________ late.
   7. _____________ lived here since May.
   8. They _____________ clean.
   9. She _____________ go.
   10. I _____________ if I were you.
D. **Reductions:** You will hear a sentence. Listen carefully to the reduction. In the blank, write the unreduced form of the words. (10 pts)

Example: *Markǝd better leave.* *Mark had better leave.*

1. The __________ __________ late.

2. The __________ __________ finished.

3. __________ __________ hungry.

4. __________ __________ seen the movie.

5. __________ __________ take me.

E. **Reduced /h/**. Listen to the phrases below. On the line, write *h* if *h* is pronounced. Write *no h* if *h* is silent. (10 pts)

_________ 1. hour ago

_________ 2. herb garden

_________ 3. holy site

_________ 4. honest mistake

_________ 5. hero’s welcome

F. **Reduced /h/**. Listen to the sentences. Circle the word you hear. (10 pts)

1. I *ate / hate* ice cream.

2. Do you use *air / hair* spray?

3. Did you hear that *howl / owl*?

4. I joined the *art / heart* organization.

5. Please *eat / heat* up the chicken.
G. *ja/jer*: Read the following dialogue. Underline 6 pairs of words that can be reduced to *ja* or *jer*. Write *ja* or *jer* under each pair that you underline. (12 pts)

A: I think I found your leak.

B: What did you say?

A: I think I found your leak! I’m going to have to turn off your water! When was the last time you had your pipes checked?

B: I had them checked maybe six or seven years ago.

A: Your kitchen pipes need to be replaced, and you really need your faucets changed.

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H. **Modal reduction**: Listen to the short conversation. Which do you hear: *should have, shouldn’t have, could have, couldn’t have, would have, or wouldn’t have*? Circle the correct words. (16 pts) From Whaddy Say, p. 108

1a. should have  shouldn’t have
1b. should have  shouldn’t have
2a. could have  couldn’t have
3a. would have  wouldn’t have
3b. should have  shouldn’t have
4a. could have  couldn’t have
4b. would have  wouldn’t have
5a. could have  couldn’t have