

# 11 Talking about clothes

## 1 Basic vocabulary

Translate the following words into your language:

- |           |       |          |       |            |       |          |       |
|-----------|-------|----------|-------|------------|-------|----------|-------|
| 1. cotton | ..... | 3. linen | ..... | 5. denim   | ..... | 7. suede | ..... |
| 2. wool   | ..... | 4. silk  | ..... | 6. leather | ..... | 8. fur   | ..... |

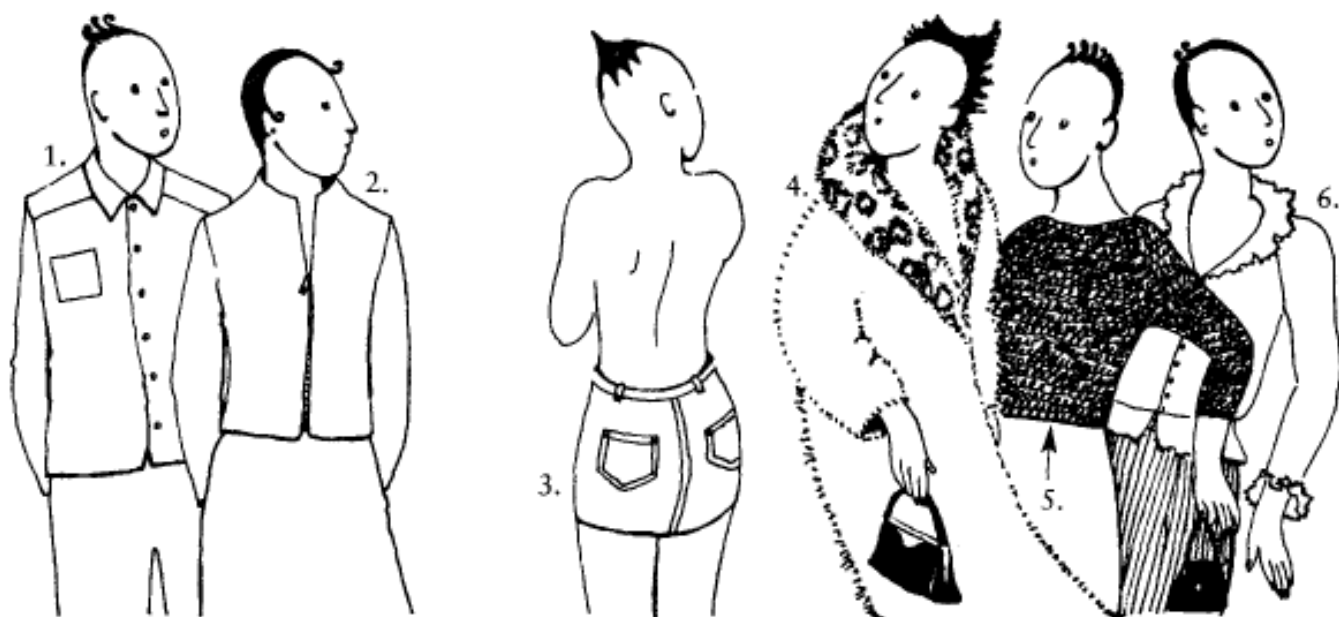
## 2 A leather jacket

Match these expressions with the pictures:

a cotton shirt  
a leather jacket

a woolly jumper  
a denim skirt

a silk blouse  
a fur coat



## 3 Patterns

Match these adjectives with the pictures:

striped

floral

plain (or self-coloured)

checked



## 4 Shape and style

Write the following words with the correct group of words below:

shirt

skirt

shoes

trousers

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|----------|----------------|-------------|------------------|
| tight    | long           | flat        | long-sleeved     |
| 1. baggy | 2. knee-length | 3. platform | 4. short-sleeved |
| flared   | short          | running     | collarless       |

## 5 Describing clothes

Complete the following dialogues with these words:

fashionable	smart	casual
worn-out	scruffy	dress well

- You're looking very . . . . . today.  
> Yes, I'm on my way to a job interview.
- You must spend a fortune on clothes.  
> I don't really, but I must admit I do like to . . . . .
- Will I have to wear a suit to the meeting?  
> No, I expect most people will be wearing fairly . . . . . clothes.
- I need a new dress for this party but I don't know what colour to go for.  
> Well, pink's supposed to be . . . . . at the moment, isn't it? It's this season's colour.
- Why are you throwing that jacket out?  
> It's . . . . . Look, it's got a hole under the arm and most of the buttons are missing!
- I like your new trousers. They're very smart.  
> Well, I start my new job tomorrow and I can't turn up wearing . . . . . old jeans. Everyone there is very well-dressed.

## 6 It doesn't really suit me

Use these words in the sentences below:

wrong	go with	tight
match	suit	fit

- It doesn't . . . . . me. It's too tight.
- It doesn't . . . . . me. I'm too old for it.
- It's the . . . . . size. It's too small.
- Do you think this top goes with my skirt?  
> Well, no. They don't . . . . . at all, actually.
- It's a bit . . . . . for me.
- This skirt doesn't . . . . . this jacket.

## 7 Get

Add the following verbs in the sentences after the verb get:

changed	on
dressed	dressed up

- That's a nice jumper you've got . . . . .  
Is it new?
- I don't usually get . . . . . until after I've had my breakfast.
- I'm going to wash the car. I think I'll just get . . . . . into some old clothes.
- Do we have to get . . . . . for this dinner party tonight or can I just wear jeans?

Now underline the complete expressions with get.

*If you get dressed, you put your clothes on.*

*If you dress up, you put on special clothes – for example, for a party.*

*Which one of these don't you do up: your jacket / your coat / your buttons / your zip / your socks / your belt? The opposite of 'do up' is undo.*

## 8 Taking your clothes off

Match the beginnings and endings of these sentences:

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|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1. He took           | a. feet.            |
| 2. She got           | b. no clothes on.   |
| 3. They had bare     | c. undressed.       |
| 4. He was completely | d. his clothes off. |
| 5. She had           | e. naked.           |

*Have you ever bought second-hand clothes?*

*Would you wear a fur coat?*

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**Add your own words and expressions**