

FASHION

FASHION AND SHOPPING

Complete the text with a word from the list.

- bargains /'bɑ:ɡɪnz/ casual /'kæʒʊəl/ discount latest fashions
 department stores designer clothes in and out of fashion mail order
 sales window shopping smart

Nowadays people buy clothes in many different ways, in ¹ _____, chain stores, and smaller shops, or from catalogues, either by ² _____ (buying by post) or on the Internet. In spite of the growth of 'on-line shopping', for many people, especially women, ³ _____ (looking at things in shop windows) and buying the ⁴ _____ are still enjoyable activities. Most larger stores sell a wide range of fashion, from ⁵ _____ clothes (for work or formal occasions) to ⁶ _____ clothes (to wear in your free time). ⁷ _____ (made by well-known fashion companies) are the most expensive.

Clothes are also the items whose prices are most reduced during the ⁸ _____, normally after Christmas and in the summer, when you can often find ⁹ _____ (things which are **good value for money**). Some shops offer up to a 50% ¹⁰ _____, or even more. This is because they need to change **stock** rapidly, as clothes quickly go ¹¹ _____.

Underline the stress on all the words in **bold**. Practise saying them.
 Cover the text. Take turns to explain the words in the list above.

MATERIALS AND ADJECTIVES DESCRIBING CLOTHES

Match the phrases and pictures.

- a patterned silk scarf
- a plain wool scarf
- a V-necked cotton T-shirt
- a long-sleeved striped shirt
- a short-sleeved checked blouse
- a loose linen jacket
- a tight lycra jacket
- high-heeled leather boots



Underline the stress on the words in **bold**.
 Practise saying them.

Cover the phrases. Describe the pictures.

ITEMS OF CLOTHING

Put the clothes in the right section.

- a blouse a cap a dress a dressing-gown gloves a handkerchief (hanky) pyjamas a running vest
 sandals a shirt a skirt slippers a sweatshirt a tie tights a tracksuit trainers a waistcoat

Women's fashions	Menswear	Footwear	Sports clothes	Underwear / nightwear	Accessories

Underline the stress. Add more items to each column.

PHRASAL VERBS AND IDIOMS: CLOTHES

a Match sentences 1–10 with a–j.

- 1 Can I try it on?
- 2 Hang your coat up.
- 3 It doesn't fit.
- 4 It suits you.
- 5 It matches your eyes.
- 6 Get dressed!
- 7 Go and get changed!
- 8 We have to dress up this evening.
- 9 Take off your shoes.
- 10 Put on a scarf.

- a It's the same colour.
- b Breakfast's on the table.
- c You can't go to school in those shorts.
- d It's a formal occasion.
- e I'm not sure if it's the right size.
- f They're filthy.
- g It's cold outside.
- h Red's your colour.
- i I need a bigger size.
- j Don't leave it there.

b Cover 1–10. Look at a–j. Remember the first half.