

UNIT

7

Which one looks better?

Learning Objectives



In this unit, you will learn how to:

- describe various clothing items and accessories;
- describe different fabric materials;
- talk about fashion and appropriate fashion styles;
- discuss what kinds of clothes you need to wear on different occasions.





Things to Learn

Warm-up

Clothing items

Do you know what these clothing items are called? Listen and repeat.



shirt



T-shirt



blouse



cardigan



sweater



vest



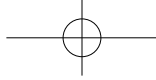
skirt



dress



cheongsam



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tailcoat



suit



sportswear



jeans



slacks



shorts

Accessories

Can you match the names of the accessories with the pictures? Listen and repeat.



A



B



C



D



E



F



G



H



I



J



K



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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1. tie | <input type="checkbox"/> 2. glasses | <input type="checkbox"/> 3. bracelet | <input type="checkbox"/> 4. necklace |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 5. handbag | <input type="checkbox"/> 6. ring | <input type="checkbox"/> 7. earrings | <input type="checkbox"/> 8. scarf |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 9. bow tie | <input type="checkbox"/> 10. belt | <input type="checkbox"/> 11. cap | <input type="checkbox"/> 12. hair hoop |

Fabric materials

Can you match the expressions in Column A with those in Column B? Listen and repeat.

Column A

silk
linen
modal
wool
lycra
cotton
cashmere
polyester
nylon
man-made silk

Column B

真丝
羊毛
亚麻
棉
尼龙
涤纶
人造丝
莫代尔
莱卡
羊绒

Discussion

Talk about the dress in your life. The following questions are for your reference.

1. What kinds of clothes do you like to wear?
2. Have you ever mixed and matched different styles of clothes? Can you give some examples?



Things to Do

Model Dialog

Dialog 1 Talking about fashion

Listen to the dialog and role-play it in pairs.

Salesperson: Good morning. How can I help you?

Tina: The magazines say **tight jeans** are going to be the season's **trend** this autumn, and I wonder if I can find them here.

Salesperson: Yes, we have them. Would you like to try some on?

Tina: That's good, thanks. *(After trying on a pair of jeans)* Oh, my legs don't look good in jeans like these.

Salesperson: Well, people often think that fashion is all about following the season's trends. But it isn't just about what the designers say is **in style**. It's about finding your own style. If it doesn't look good, don't wear it.

Tina: You're right. Tight jeans aren't for everyone.

Salesperson: Skirts are also going to be trendy this season. The skirt will look great on you. How about this one? What's your size?

Tina: Twelve.

Salesperson: Here, try this one on.

Tina: Thanks.

Salesperson: That skirt looks great on you!

Tina: Okay, I'll take it. How much is it?

Salesperson: 150 *yuan*.

Tina: Can I pay with a **credit card**?

Salesperson: Sure, we take both **debit cards** and credit cards.



 **New Words and Phrases**

tight jeans	紧身牛仔裤
trend /trend/	n. 时尚, 时髦
in style	流行的
credit card	信用卡
debit card	借记卡

 **Useful Sentence Patterns**

Asking	Responding
What can I do for you?/Can I help you?/ See anything you like?	Yes, I'd like to.../I wonder if you have.../ I'm looking for.../Can you show me...?
Would you like to try it on?	Sure./Let me take a look at some other clothes.
How about this one?/How do you like this one?	It doesn't fit me./Could you show me other styles?
What size?/What is your size?/What size would you like?	I'm a size twelve./Twelve./I'd take a size twelve. Small./Medium./Large./Extra large.
What color would you like?	Purple./Light blue./Dark green.
Which color do you think suits me best?	You look nice in yellow.
How much is it?/How much are they?/ How much does it cost?/How much do they cost?	...yuan/dollar(s)/pound(s)/euro(s).

Dialog 2 Talking about what to wear for a banquet

Listen to the dialog and role-play it in pairs.

George: Darling, we're going to **attend a banquet** at the Hilton Restaurant this evening.

Linda: Is it a formal one?

George: Yes, very formal. Some of the officials from American **headquarters** will be there, too.

Linda: I see. But you know...this is the first time for me to attend such a formal **event**, so I'm **at a loss** as to what to wear. George, are there any **particular requirements** for dressing tonight?

George: It wasn't mentioned. But since it's a very formal **occasion**, it might be best to wear an **evening dress** or a **cocktail dress**. I remember asking you to prepare two such dresses, didn't I?

Linda: Yes, but I've only got a gray evening dress. You know I prefer wearing a **cheongsam** and I've got two formal ones. I wonder if I could wear either of them tonight.

George: A cheongsam is probably **appropriate** for an event like this **only if** it's made of materials of high quality. As the banquet tonight has no particular requirements for dressing, I'm sure you can wear your favorite.

Linda: That's great. (*Taking out two cheongsams from the wardrobe, one red and one black*) George, which do you think looks better?

George: I prefer the black one. It'll be a nice match to your white pearl necklace and **earrings**.

Linda: Okay, I'll wear the black one then. What will you wear tonight?

George: As usual, I'll wear a suit.



 **New Words and Phrases**

<i>attend</i> /ə'tend/	<i>v.</i> 出席, 参加
<i>banquet</i> /'bæŋkwɪt/	<i>n.</i> 宴会, 盛宴
<i>headquarters</i> /'hed,kwɔ:təz/	<i>n.</i> 总部, 总公司
<i>event</i> /i'vent/	<i>n.</i> 活动, 事件
<i>at a loss</i>	困惑, 不知所措
<i>particular</i> /pə'tɪkjʊlə/	<i>adj.</i> 特殊的, 特别的
<i>requirement</i> /rɪ'kwaɪəmənt/	<i>n.</i> 要求
<i>occasion</i> /ə'keɪʒən/	<i>n.</i> 场合
<i>evening dress</i>	晚礼服
<i>cocktail dress</i>	(晚) 礼服
<i>cheongsam</i> /'tʃɒŋ'sæm/	<i>n.</i> 旗袍
<i>appropriate</i> /ə'prəʊpri-ət/	<i>adj.</i> 适合的
<i>only if</i>	只有, 除非
<i>earring</i> /'ɪərɪŋ/	<i>n.</i> 耳环

 **Useful Sentence Patterns**

Asking	Responding
Are there any particular requirements for dressing tonight?	Sure./They didn't mention that.
Which one is better for me to wear tonight?	What about...?
What do you suggest I should wear tonight?	Why not try...?
What will you wear tonight?	I'd like.../I plan to wear.../I haven't decided what to wear tonight./I feel at a loss as to what to wear.

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Asking	Responding
What do you usually wear for work?	Usually I wear very casual clothes in my office, like jeans and T-shirts.
What do you think I should wear for a banquet?	You'd better wear...
Which one looks better, a cheongsam or a dress?	I prefer the cheongsam./Both look good on you.
What about purple? Do you think it's suitable for me?	It's great./It looks perfect.

Simulation Practice

Task 1 Work in pairs and create a conversation. You are going to have a job interview. Discuss with your partner what clothing you should wear and present your reasons.

For your reference

casual clothes 休闲服, 便服
 formal clothes 正装
 high heels 高跟鞋
 white-collar worker 白领人士
 office lady 白领丽人
 keen-witted 机敏的, 精干的
 capable 能干的
 confident 自信的

Task 2 Work in pairs and create a conversation. How will you dress yourself in various situations (e.g. attending a banquet, going traveling, working in an office) and why?

For your reference

uniform 制服
national costume 民族服装
suit 套装
Chinese tunic suit 中山装
cheongsam 旗袍
sportswear 运动装
light clothes 轻便的服装
sandals 凉鞋
sneakers 胶底运动鞋
wearable 耐磨的, 耐穿的



Extended Practice

Work in pairs or groups. Every year the fashion magazine *Vogue* chooses Top 10 Best-Dressed Women. Find some articles about the award last year and introduce the dressing style that you are interested in (e.g. the color trend or new shoes design) and state the reasons why you like it.