VOCABULARY appearance

A **Look at the pictures. Write the hairstyle or clothing style you think each person wears.**

Hairstyle:
beard mustache short/long hair color

Clothing style:
dark/bright clothes jewelry earrings necklace tight/loose costume make-up



goth



hipster



otaku

B **IN PAIRS Discuss the questions.**

1 Do you prefer to wear bright or dark colors?
2 Do you have a particular clothing style? Is it similar to your friends' clothing style?
3 Do you generally wear accessories? Which ones?

MAKE IT YOURS

Think of the clothes and accessories you own. Do you know the English word for all of them? Check in a dictionary and make a note of any you don't know. Describe your personal style to a classmate.

LISTENING

A **IN PAIRS Have you seen people who look like the pictures in VOCABULARY A, either in real life or on TV/online? Why do you think they dress in that style? Discuss.**

B **12.04 LISTENING SKILL—Listen for gist Listen to a podcast and number the sentences in the correct order (1–4) to create a summary.**

_____ Young people want to look different from their parents.
_____ Young people want to show their personality.
_____ Young people in different groups wear different clothes.
_____ Young people want to feel they belong to a group.

C **12.04 Listen again and write short answers.**

1 What does the speaker say about goths?

2 What example of a youth subculture in the past does the speaker mention?

3 What might youth subcultures tell you about someone you've never met?

D **THINKING SKILL—Understand Describe the youth subcultures that exist in your country. Discuss as a class.**

LIVEWORKSHEETS

WRITING a description

A Read the description and match the sentence halves. Write the letter.

One youth tribe in my country is cosplayers. A Japanese reporter invented the term *cosplay* using the words *costume* and *play* in 1984. Cosplayers are interested in video games. They create costumes based on characters from popular video games and movies. Cosplayers wear bright colors and often wear make-up to make them look like their favorite characters. They meet to show each other their colorful costumes, and they often take selfies to show people online. They often like listening to the music from video games. Personally, I think cosplayers are brave. They aren't afraid to dress like their heroes. Cosplaying is a great way to meet people with the same interests.



1 First, _____
2 Second, _____
3 Third, _____

a the writer gives his or her personal opinion.
b the writer gives background information and a little history.
c the writer describes what the people look like and what they do.

B You are going to write a description of a youth subculture. Make notes to answer the questions before you write.

1 What youth subculture are you going to write about? _____
2 What kind of clothes do they wear? _____
3 What do members do together? _____
4 Do they listen to a particular kind of music? _____
5 What is your opinion of that subculture? _____

C Write your description in your notebook. Be sure to include some history, a physical description, and your opinion.

SPEAKING

A Do you think it's a good idea or a bad idea to belong to a subculture? Make notes on why.

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VOCABULARY

A Match the questions (1–6) to the photos (a–c).







1 Who has a costume, tight clothes, and makeup?
2 Who has dark clothes and a necklace?
3 Who has glasses and short hair?
4 Who has bright clothes, long hair, and a cap?
5 Who has a loose, short skirt and makeup?
6 Who has loose clothes, no jewelry, and no makeup?

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B **Complete each sentence with words and phrases from the box.**

beard costume bright dark earrings jewelry long loose makeup
mustache necklace short hair tight

1 Jenny likes wearing _____ clothes in colors like yellow and orange, and she likes _____ clothes, because they are more comfortable, especially on hot days. She has _____, because she cut it herself last week.

2 Victoria goes to a lot of cosplay events. She likes wearing a _____ to look like her favorite anime character. Her costume is very _____, so it can be uncomfortable, especially when it's hot!

3 Miles has _____ hair. He has not cut his hair for years! He wears a _____ around his neck that his girlfriend gave to him.

4 I lost my _____, because they fell off my ears at a party! I need to borrow some _____ for this evening. Can I look through yours?

5 I'm a goth, and I like wearing _____ clothes most of the time, like black T-shirts and dresses. I wear _____ as well when I go out at night. My favorite is my blue lipstick.

6 I really don't like that _____ and _____ on your face, David. All that hair doesn't look good!

LIVEWORKSHEETS