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CLOTHES AND APPEARANCE

LESSON A ► *The way we dress*

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GRAMMAR

Match the two parts of each sentence to tell the story of Mimi, a fashion designer.

Mimi's Story

1. When I was a young child, I enjoyed _____
2. As I got a little older, I wanted more freedom _____
3. When I was a teenager, my parents permitted _____
4. My mother recognized my interest in fashion design, and she encouraged _____
5. By the time I graduated from high school, I knew that I wanted _____
6. My teachers suggested _____
7. I thought that the high cost of the school would prevent _____
8. Fortunately, I got a scholarship that allowed _____
9. Now, five years after graduating, I'm a fashion designer. I love _____

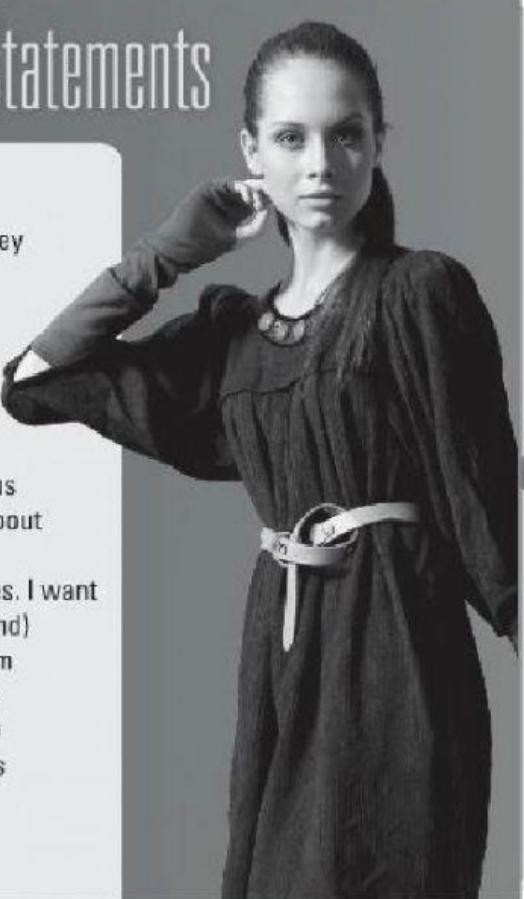
- a. designing beautiful clothes for the best shops!
- b. going to a fashion school in New York City.
- c. me from going there.
- d. me to wear the clothes I liked.
- e. me to learn more about it.
- f. me to study there for four years.
- g. to make my own choices about what to wear.
- h. to work in the fashion industry.
- i. wearing what my mother bought me.



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GRAMMAR

Read the blog post about clothes and fashion. Use the gerund or the infinitive form of the verbs in parentheses.



FASHION Statements

If you ask me, I think people are just trying
(1) to impress (impress) other people when they
wear expensive clothes. I don't mind when people
wear stylish clothing – I just think they tend
(2) to put (put) too much emphasis
on overpriced designer labels. I think most people
should try (3) to look (look) neat and well
dressed, but give up (4) buying (buy)
overly expensive clothing. There are too many serious
problems in the world. I mean, just reading stories about
poverty in the newspaper encourages me
(5) to avoid (avoid) expensive clothing stores. I want
to discourage people from (6) spending (spend)
money on luxuries. Instead, I want to encourage them
(7) to donate (donate) more of their money to
charity. People might tend (8) to feel (feel)
better about themselves if they knew their money was
helping someone who truly needed it.

COMMENTS (3)

4 GRAMMAR

Complete these sentences to make them true for you.

1. I don't mind wearing clothes that *are handed down to me from my brothers or cousins.*
2. I hate to wear clothes that _____
3. I love to wear clothes that _____
4. When I'm shopping for clothes, I enjoy _____
5. When getting dressed for a night out, I tend _____