



THE HISTORY OF JEANS

Social Science • CLIL Worksheet



Name: _____ Class: _____ Date: _____

A. WARM-UP

- Discuss with a partner



1. Why do you think jeans are so popular?

2. How many pairs of jeans do you own?

3. Who wears jeans in your family? When do they wear them?

B. HISTORY TIMELINE

Match each decade to the correct fact. Write the letter.

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| 1. 1900s _____ | A. Hippies wore jeans to show equality and challenge racial barriers. |
| 2. 1920s _____ | B. Jeans became cheaper and popular around the world as transport improved. |
| 3. 1950s _____ | C. Jeans were practical, cheap and hard-wearing clothes for cowboys and miners. |
| 4. 1960s _____ | D. Film stars such as Marlon Brando and James Dean made jeans fashionable among teenagers. |
| 5. 1970s _____ | E. Hollywood films made cowboys look like heroes, and people wanted to copy them. |



C. READING COMPREHENSION

Answer in complete sentences.

1. Why were jeans ideal for cowboys and miners?

2. How did Hollywood help jeans become popular?

3. Why did teenagers copy the style of film stars?

4. What did hippies hope to achieve by wearing jeans?

5. What happened to the price of jeans when international transport became easier?

D. VOCABULARY

Match the words to their meanings.

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| 1. hard-wearing _____ | A. Not too expensive; within people's budget. |
| 2. fashionable _____ | B. Things that prevent people from mixing or progressing. |
| 3. rebellion _____ | C. Made to last; not easily damaged. |
| 4. affordable _____ | D. A refusal to accept rules or authority. |
| 5. barriers _____ | E. Popular and stylish at a particular time. |

E. SOCIAL CHANGE

Tick the areas influenced by jeans, according to the text.

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| ☐ The economy | ☐ Class |
| ☐ The film industry | ☐ The environment |
| ☐ The roles of men and women | |

Choose one area and explain how jeans influenced it:

F. YOUR OPINION

Write 4-5 sentences.

Do clothes express who we are? Explain your opinion and give an example.



Remember: use evidence from the text and write in complete sentences.