

Read the article below. Choose the best answer **A, B, C or D** and type the correct answer **A, B, C or D** in the box.

Appearance and image are very important in our society today, and it is even more so when you are a teenager. Fashion trends play a huge part in cultivating the appearance and image of a person. Let's take a look at how fashion can influence a teenager.

1. Paragraph 1 tells us that the passage will be discussing

- A. the importance of fashion trends in society
- B. the importance of fashion among teenagers
- C. how society influences the image of a person
- D. how appearance plays an important role among teenagers

“I think fashion can make a teenager more creative in their everyday life,” says 16- year-old Asha Kaur Gill. “You may be wondering how fashion could possibly develop creativity. But if you really think about it, when you are getting dressed, you are mostly likely mixing and matching the clothes you have and putting together a look. That is a creative process. Perhaps the creativity could be applied to other areas in your life as well.”

2. In paragraph 2, Asha Kaur Gill believes that fashion can make one become more artistic because

- A. clothes are a form of art
- B. getting dressed every day can be difficult
- C. designing clothes require imagination
- D. putting together a look requires some creativity

Noel Faizal, 18, who also runs a fashion blog, says, “Fashion can make teenagers more interested in other cultures. Some fashion trends may be influenced by specific cultures such as Korean, Japanese, English and so on. As a result, the teenager might want to do a bit of research on that culture and this enables them to learn about various people of the world.

3. In paragraph 3, how is fashion related to culture?

- A. Designers do extensive research on culture.
- B. Most fashion trends originated from abroad.
- C. Every designer introduces their own culture.
- D. Some trends are influenced by specific cultures.

Nadine deCruz, 17, who plans to further her studies in fashion design, has a different view. “Fashion enables teenagers to project who they want to be. The right clothes can make them appear professional, classy, fun, sporty, the list goes on. If they have a job interview, wearing a smart outfit could make them look professional and they would be taken seriously and be considered for the job. If a teenager often wears branded clothes. Then he or she is most likely perceived as someone rich and classy.”

4. What is paragraph 4 about?

- A. Developing an image
- B. Wearing branded clothes
- C. Studying fashion design
- D. Working in the fashion industry

“For me, being fashionable gives a teenager self-confidence. When someone wears nice or trendy clothes, he or she may get compliments which will certainly make a person feel good about themselves. **It** builds self-esteem,” says Thiven Kumar, 16.

5. In paragraph 5, what does the word **It** refer to?

- A. Trendy clothes
- B. Being fashionable
- C. Self-confidence
- D. Getting compliments

Can a teenager take fashion too far then? Yes, according to Shiela Azam, 19. “Having an interest in fashion is great but we must be careful not to become slaves to fashion. I have friends who often skip meals to save money so that they can buy branded outfits. There are some who don’t welcome me into their clique, simply because I’m not fashionable enough.”

6. Paragraph 6 suggest that

- A. branded clothes are expensive
- B. most teenagers like to wear branded clothes
- C. most teenagers take fashion too far
- D. fashion does not affect our ability to make friends

“Teenagers must also choose trends that are appropriate for their age and culture,” says Hazrene Hassan, a mother with two teenage children. “I see some trends that are too mature for teenagers to emulate and some are just plain ridiculous!”

7. In paragraph 7, the mother stresses that teenagers should choose clothes

- A. that are mature
- B. that does not follow trends
- C. that shows off their culture
- D. that are suitable for their age

Since teenagers are still trying to find their identity, it is very likely that their fashion sense will continue to evolve as they grow up. In the meantime, as long as teenagers know their limit, they should be allowed to express themselves through fashion.

8. In paragraph 8, the writer feels that

- A. a teenager should fully explore fashion
- B. a teenager's interest in fashion would not last
- C. a teenager's interest in fashion should be curbed
- D. a teenager can follow fashion trends within limits.