

choose (A) collection (B) dance (C) different (D) dresses (E) girlfriend (F) engineer (G)
himself (H) imagine (I) pocket (J) sales (K) shared (L) size (M) workers (N)

Obsession* with dresses

If love was measured in dresses, Paul Brockman would probably be the most loving husband in the world. Over the past 56 years, the German-born (1) from Lomita, California, has given his wife Margot 55,000 dresses, all of which he chose himself. The first ten dresses in Paul Brockman's impressive (2) were free. He got them while working at a seaport in Bremen, Germany, where the..... (3) could pick out anything they wanted when the boxes with various goods were opened. Paul Brockman would (4) only dresses and would give them all to his (5), Margot. After dating Margot for a while, Paul asked the girl's parents for her hand. He and Margot (6) a love for dancing and went ballroom dancing every week, but Paul wanted her to have a (7) dress every time they went dancing, so he kept buying her new ones.

Margot never liked shopping, so Paul picked out and bought the dresses all by (8). He would buy (9) before work, after work and even during work. Paul sometimes came home with up to 30 different ones. He sometimes bought them at department stores during seasonal (10). At one point, Paul Brockman's obsession with dresses got so out of hand that he stopped paying attention to their size. Also, he never cared about the money he was spending on his obsession. Paul Brockman would sometimes spend all the money he had in his (11) and wait until the next week if he didn't have money. The most amount of money he spent on a dress was 300 USD; Margot never wore that dress. As you can (12), most of the 55,000 dresses were never worn.

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