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Fill in: *is, suits, go, look*, then answer the questions about yourself.

- 1 How often do you shopping for clothing?
- 2 Would you wear something that out of date?
- 3 What colour do you best in?
- 4 Which of the latest styles do you think you?

3 Underline the correct item.

If you are fashion **1) conscious/conscience** and like to keep up with the **2) latest/late** trends but do not want to become a fashion **3) witness/victim**, then here are a few tips. You can improve your **4) image/illustration** without buying expensive clothes. Even when you are **5) carelessly/casually** dressed, it is possible to make a fashion **6) statement/announcement** by making small changes to create a more individual look. Secondly, make sure the clothes you choose not only **7) fit/match** you but also **8) suit/go** your body **9) type/kind**. So, basically, anyone can become a **10) trend/style-setter** without being a super model!

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6 Replace the parts in bold with an appropriate phrase from the list.

- short-lived • hit the headlines • brand name
- first impression • centre of attention • public eye

- 1 The film star was the **one everyone was interested in** at the film premier.
- 2 As soon as the news **was made public**, the minister resigned.
- 3 It is not always the case that **well-known goods** are superior to other products.
- 4 My **initial thought** was that he was a rather sensitive person.
- 5 His record went straight to number one in the charts but his fame was **not to last**.
- 6 I feel sorry for people who are always in the **news**.

7 Underline the correct item.

- 1 There has been a sharp fall in the number of **viewers/spectators/crowds/audiences** watching the 10 o'clock news.
- 2 It was interesting to see the entire **action/system/** **process/performance** of making a documentary from start to finish.
- 3 While I was in America, I had the **opportunity/** **chance/turn/attempt** to interview a soap star.
- 4 Apart from being a good actor, he's very handsome and obviously he **runs/looks/goes/takes** after his father.
- 5 I'm not **keen/eager/willing/enthusiastic** on going shopping in crowded supermarkets.

24 Cross the **odd** one out.

- 1 **For example/Such as/As a result**, we can now send and receive messages in a matter of seconds.
- 2 One point in **favour of/against/in defence** of muzak is that it can sometimes make shopping more of a pleasure.
- 3 There are those who **argue/feel/are against** that large, indoor shopping centres are much more convenient.
- 4 **Despite/Besides/However**, it can cause people to feel inferior.
- 5 **In addition/An additional/Another** advantage would be that of reducing levels of crime in those areas.
- 6 Some people feel that it is **yet/still/actually** possible to change your lifestyle completely, even at a late age.
- 7 **Since/Even though/Due to the fact that** television generally tends to have scenes of violence, parents find themselves limiting younger children's viewing.
- 8 **However/Although/Nevertheless**, one of the drawbacks is that credit cards can often encourage people to overspend.



Idioms & Fixed Phrases

7 Choose the correct item, then explain what they mean.

- 1 She dressed in bright colours so as to be *the centre of* piece/attention/one/focus.
- 2 Scandal tends to *hit* the roof/road/headlines/newspaper on a daily basis.
- 3 Most people these days demand better quality products and so will choose *brand/code/first/business names*.
- 4 My *first view/impression/look/sight* of the new soap opera was that it was rather boring.
- 5 There are some styles that seem to last for ever, while others are simply *long-lived/well-lived/short-lived/ quick-lived trends*.
- 6 Some film stars will do anything to be *in the public service/light/eye/interest*.

2 Fill in the correct form of the adverbs.

• hard/hardly • high/highly • late/lately • deep/deeply

- 1 a The channel can keep up with production costs.
b She works to meet her deadlines.
- 2 a The helicopter couldn't fly too because of the weather.
b The play is recommended by most critics, so it must be good.
- 3 a Due to traffic problems, they arrived at the art exhibition.
b There has been a lot of talk about crash diets
- 4 a Miners often work underground.
b Jane's ideas have always been influenced by fashion and trends.