BEFORE YOU READ

▶ 4:38 **VOCABULARY** • ***Formality and appropriateness*** Read and listen to each pair of antonyms. Then listen again and repeat.

Formality	Appropriateness	Strictness
formal for special events when casual clothes are not OK	**appropriate** socially correct	**liberal** without many rules for appropriate dress
informal for everyday events when casual clothes are OK	**inappropriate** socially incorrect	**conservative** with more rules for appropriate dress

READING ▶ 4:39

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TRAVEL SMART

OK. You're planning a foreign trip. After you get your passport, reservations and tickets, it's time to think about clothes. Clothing customs can vary from very liberal to quite conservative. Compare clothing do's and don'ts in two popular destinations.

Istanbul: the Blue Mosque

Turkey

Pack light clothing for the heat. Even though most tourists wear T-shirts and shorts, Turkish people usually wear more modest clothes: dresses or blouses with sleeves for women, and short-sleeved shirts and long pants for men. For tourists visiting Turkey's beautiful historic places, casual comfortable clothing is fine for men and women. If you visit a mosque, however, the dress code is stricter, and shorts are definitely inappropriate for both men and women. Women must cover their knees, shoulders, and head, and men must cover their knees and shoulders. Everyone must remove his or her shoes. On Turkey's beaches, on the other hand, anything goes for tourists. Shorts, T-shirts, and sandals or flip-flops are normal for both Turkish people and foreigners.

Flip-flops are popular summer shoes almost everywhere.

In some countries, people consider sleeveless blouses inappropriate. However in the U.S., it's always OK for women to go sleeveless.

The United States

United States weather in July differs by region. A good rule of thumb is to check an Internet weather site to be sure. The dress code is generally liberal, so it's common in the warmer months for Americans of both sexes to wear T-shirts, shorts, and sandals or flip-flops on the street and in informal settings. But young people frequently wear some pretty wild clothes! The dress code, however, is definitely *not* anything goes in schools, formal restaurants, or religious institutions. There, more conservative clothes and shoes are appropriate, with women wearing skirts, dresses, or nice pants with a sweater or a blouse. But even in more formal places like offices, women never have to cover their arms. For men, in formal settings, a suit and tie or a nice shirt and a blazer are always appropriate.

In the U.S., young people's style is often "anything goes."

LIVEWORKSHEETS

A **IDENTIFY SUPPORTING DETAILS** Circle T (true) or F (false). Explain each of your responses.

T F **1** It's appropriate to wear shorts in Turkish mosques.

T F **2** The dress code for tourists is pretty liberal on Turkish beaches.

T F **3** Clothing customs in Turkey are "anything goes" for everyone.

T F **4** The United States is very conservative about clothes.

T F **5** It's appropriate for young Americans to wear wild clothes in religious institutions.

T F **6** Flip-flops are inappropriate in formal restaurants in the United States.

LISTENING

A ▶4:40 Listen to the conversations. Use the context to infer which department the people are in. Listen more than once if necessary.

1 ..... 4 .....

2 ..... 5 .....

3 .....

Departments
Shoes
Bags and Accessories
Hosiery
Outerwear
Sleepwear
Lingerie
Electronics

B Express your opinion. Complete the chart with the appropriate kinds of shoes and clothes for certain places and occasions.

	Shoes	Clothes
To class or work		
On formal occasions		
On the weekend		

C Complete the travel article with the comparative form of each adjective. Use than when necessary.

Travel & Clothing

When you travel, think carefully about the clothes you pack. As far as color is concerned, ... (1 dark) colors are usually ..... (2 practical). For ..... (3 cool) destinations, a blazer can be ..... (4 convenient) a windbreaker or cardigan because you can wear it in ..... (5 conservative) settings such as offices and ..... (6 formal) restaurants. For travel to ..... (7 hot) areas of the world, ... (8 light) clothes are ..... (9 comfortable) ..... (10 heavy) ones.

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D Rewrite each sentence. Change the underlined prepositional and noun phrases to object pronouns.

1 Please show the loafers to my husband. Please show them to him.

2 They sent the jeans to their grandchildren. .....

3 How is she paying Robert for the clothes? .....

4 When are we buying the gift for Marie? .....

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