

A

Clothes



B

Plural words

These words are always plural in English. They need a plural verb.



My suit **is** new but these trousers **are** old. Her jeans / shorts / tights **are** blue.

Note: You say: **a pair of** trousers / shorts / glasses, etc.

C

Verbs

You **wear** clothes but you **carry** things.

You **wear** glasses.

Naomi **is wearing** a long blue coat.

She's **carrying** a suitcase and a **handbag**.

You can also say: Naomi **has (got)** a blue coat **on**.

You **carry** a **bag** and an **umbrella**.



In the morning you **get dressed** or **put** your clothes **on**. At night you **get undressed** or you **take** your clothes **off**.

Common mistakes

You **put clothes on** but you **take clothes off** [NOT ~~put clothes off~~].

Tip

When you get dressed in the morning, say to yourself *Now I'm putting on my socks. Now I'm putting on my shoes and so on.*

4.1 Complete the sentences.

- 1 Joe has a job interview today, so he's wearing a smart suit....., a white shirt..... and a tie......
- 2 Julia's not working today, so she's wearing a T-shirt..... and shorts.....s.
- 3 Lucy is going to play tennis. She's wearing white shorts.....s and trainers.....s.
- 4 Gianni is going to a business meeting. He's.....ing a bag..... with his papers and laptop.
- 5 My trousers are too big. I have to wear a belt......
- 6 It's cold today. I'll wear my jacket....., and I'll take my coat..... too.

4.2 Match the item of clothing with the part of the body.

scarf belt shoe hat glove glasses tights ring

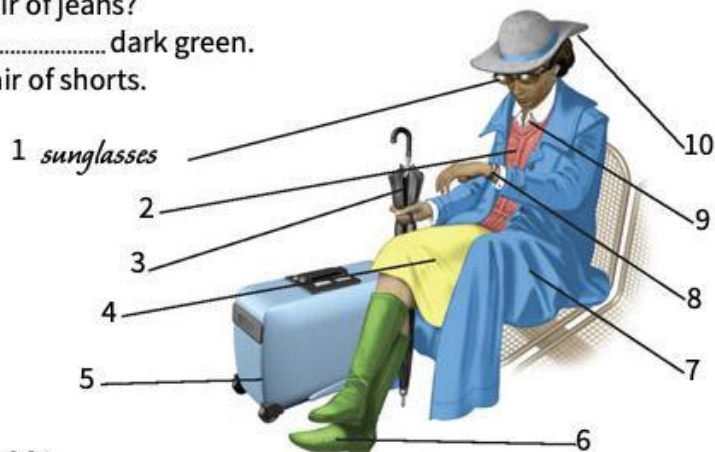


4.3 Complete the sentences with one of the verbs in the box and put it in the right form.

be wear carry have

- 1 Tim's jeans are blue and his T-shirt..... red.
- 2 Julia..... jeans and a T-shirt today.
- 3 Meena..... got a red coat on and she some flowers.
- 4 Sarah's dress..... old but her shoes..... new.
- 5 Last year Harry's trousers..... white. Now they grey.
- 6 this a new pair of jeans?
- 7 My favourite pyjamas..... dark green.
- 8 Kim..... a new pair of shorts.

4.4 Label the picture.



4.5 Complete the verbs in the table.

morning	night
get <u>dressed</u>	get
or your clothes on	or your clothes off

4.6 What are you wearing today? Use a dictionary to help you.

I'm wearing a white T-shirt and a blue jumper. I've got a pair of black trousers on. I'm wearing blue socks and white trainers. I've also got a watch and a pair of glasses on.

5

Describing people

A

Height /ha t/ **and weight** /we t/

Bettina Schwenke is a very **tall** woman.
Tom Jakes is quite **short**.
If you aren't tall or short, you are of **medium height**.

Agata Sanchez is really **slim**.
I was very **thin** when I was in hospital.
[slim is more polite than thin]

Bettina Schwenke

Tom Jakes

Agata Sanchez

The doctor said I am **overweight**. [weigh too much]
Their cat is very **fat**. It needs to go on a diet.



B

Face and head

Suri has **dark skin** and **dark hair**. She has **brown** eyes.
Polly has **blonde** (or **fair**) **hair** and **fair skin**. She has **blue** eyes.
Ben has a **beard** and **long hair**. He has **green** eyes.
Luca has a **moustache** /mu'sta:f/ and **short hair**.
You can also use **has got**, for example, Suri **has got dark hair** and **dark skin**.
My mother is a very **beautiful** woman. [very pretty]
My dad's a very **good-looking** man.

Suri

Polly



Ben

Luca

Common mistakes

People are tall [NOT People are high].

People have blonde or dark hair [NOT hairs].

My sister is **pretty**. (usually girls / women only)
Bob's an **ugly** man. [ugly = the opposite of **beautiful** or **good-looking**]
I'm not ugly or beautiful, I'm just **average-looking**!

C

Age

My grandmother is 97. She's very **old**. My sister is 14. She's **young**, but would like to be **older**. My father is 56. He's **middle-aged**, but would like to be **younger**!
This hospital is for **elderly** people. (more polite than **old**)

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Expressions

A: **How tall** is Bettina / Tom? B: She's 1.85 metres tall. / He's 1.48 metres tall.
A: **How heavy are you?** / **How much do you weigh?** B: I weigh 62 kilos / 74 kilos, etc.
A: **How old is he?** B: He's 84.
A: **What does** Gemma / your sister **look like?**
B: She's tall and dark. She's very pretty.

Tip

Some of the words on this page are a little negative, so be careful how you use them. It's better not to say to someone:
'You are fat / thin / ugly / old.'

5.1 Complete the sentences.

- 1 He's only 1 metre 52. He's quite *short*.
- 2 Very people are often good at basketball.
- 3 Models are usually
- 4 Does she have dark skin? No, it's
- 5 She's only seven. She's very
- 6 If I eat too much I'll be
- 7 My grandmother is in this hospital. It's a hospital for people. (don't use 'old')

5.2 Complete the questions using the words in brackets ().

- 1 *How tall is your brother?* (your brother)
He's about 1 metre 75.
- 2 Is? (Elena's hair)
No, she's got dark hair.
- 3 Is? (Mike's hair)
Yes, it is quite long.
- 4 Are? (your parents)
Not really, they're middle-aged.
- 5 Is? (his sister)
Yes, she's very pretty.
- 6 Why? (Sara, so thin)
She's very ill.

5.3 Write sentences about the people in these pictures.



Felicity



Jeff



Anika



Stefan

- 1 Felicity's *got blonde hair and fair skin*
- 2 Jeff has
- 3 Anika's got
- 4 Stefan's hair is and he

5.4 Write questions.

- 1 your brother, height *How tall is your brother?*
- 2 your teacher, looks
- 3 you, weight
- 4 your mother, age
- 5 your sister, height
- 6 your parents, looks

5.5 Now write answers to the questions in 5.4.

- 1 *He's not very tall. He's 1 metre 52.*

Over to you

Write down the names of three people you know. Then write about their:

- height (tall, short, medium height)
- eyes (colour)
- hair (colour, long, short, beard)
- looks (pretty, average-looking, etc.)