

2 Read the texts again. Complete gaps 1–3 in the texts with sentences A–E. There are two extra sentences.

A They spend more on cosmetics than girls and they care just as much about their appearance.

B In return, I help her.

C They rarely go shopping together because it causes too many arguments.

D He is always bored and totally unhelpful.

E It's something we always agree about.

3 Look at the words in bold in the texts and match them to the definitions.

0 put on clothes to see how they look or fit try on

1 return something to a shop because you don't want to keep it \_\_\_\_\_

2 become too big for clothes because you are taller or fatter than before \_\_\_\_\_

3 put clothes into a wardrobe or on hooks \_\_\_\_\_

4 compare the price and quality of similar items in different shops before buying something \_\_\_\_\_

5 become too old, dirty or damaged to use \_\_\_\_\_

6 return something to its correct place \_\_\_\_\_

4 Complete the conversations with the correct forms of the verbs from Exercise 3.

1 Janice: You should try on those trousers before you buy them because you can't \_\_\_\_\_ clothes to this shop.

Kelly: Really? What if there's something wrong with them?  
Janice: You have to check them carefully here.

2 Imelda: Don't buy the first thing you find. We should \_\_\_\_\_ and see if we can get them cheaper somewhere else.

Adrian: I haven't got the strength. I just want to go home.

3 Sam: These jeans aren't very good quality.  
Paul: It doesn't matter. You're growing so quickly, you'll <sup>a</sup>\_\_\_\_\_ them before they <sup>b</sup>\_\_\_\_\_.

4 Simon: Can I borrow these CDs and DVDs?  
Lisa: Yes, if you promise to \_\_\_\_\_ everything in the right place.

5 Nick: Hi, Mum. I'm home.  
Mum: \_\_\_\_\_ your coat. Don't leave it on the floor.

5 Read REMEMBER THIS. Look at these sentences. Are the verbs separable (S), inseparable (I) or is there no object (NO)? Use a dictionary if necessary.

0 Try these trousers on. They look great.

1 Take these shoes back to the shop.

2 Tommy grows out of his clothes very quickly.

3 Hang your coat up when you come home.

4 Can you put my clothes back in my wardrobe?

5 I always shop around before I buy anything.

6 Cheap clothes wear out quickly so they aren't really a bargain.

## WORD STORE 4E

### Clothes

6 Look at the photos and choose the correct words.

**Stylish or not?  
What do you think?**



She's very trendy. She's wearing a <sup>1</sup>hat / <sup>1</sup>scarf / <sup>1</sup>top on her head, sunglasses and she's got a big <sup>2</sup>hat / <sup>2</sup>scarf / <sup>2</sup>sweater round her neck. It's difficult to see what kind of <sup>3</sup>top / <sup>3</sup>jacket / <sup>3</sup>suit she's wearing under her leather <sup>4</sup>jumper / <sup>4</sup>coat / <sup>4</sup>jacket – is it a thin <sup>5</sup>skirt / <sup>5</sup>jacket / <sup>5</sup>jumper? I don't think it's a <sup>6</sup>T-shirt / <sup>6</sup>suit / <sup>6</sup>tracksuit. She's wearing very close-fitting <sup>7</sup>trousers / <sup>7</sup>tracksuits / <sup>7</sup>dresses – I think they are black jeans. On her feet ... are they <sup>8</sup>jeans / <sup>8</sup>shoes / <sup>8</sup>socks or <sup>9</sup>trousers / <sup>9</sup>tracksuits / <sup>9</sup>trainers? It's difficult to say for sure. They aren't boots. They're too small.

**She looks cool – and she knows it!**

**8/10**

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He looks good. He's wearing a dark <sup>10</sup>skirt / <sup>10</sup>suit / <sup>10</sup>sweater. It isn't too tight or too loose. The jacket and trousers fit him well. He's wearing a white <sup>11</sup>shirt / <sup>11</sup>coat / <sup>11</sup>skirt and a dark <sup>12</sup>scarf / <sup>12</sup>top / <sup>12</sup>tie. His shoes are black. We can't see his <sup>13</sup>boots / <sup>13</sup>trainers / <sup>13</sup>socks – I'm sure they are dark.

**He is stylish and smart. 9/10**

## REMEMBER THIS

Most phrasal verbs in Exercises 3 and 4 collocate with an object. With most of them, the object can go either after the whole phrasal verb, e.g. *try on a shirt*, or between the verb and the preposition, e.g. *try a shirt on*. You can check the position of an object in an entry for every phrasal verb in a dictionary. For example, the entry *take sth off* means that the phrasal verb is separable and the entry *look after sb/sth* means that the phrasal verb is inseparable. Remember, some phrasal verbs don't need an object, e.g. *get up*.

**bargain** (n) = something you can buy cheaply or for less than its usual price  
**immediately** (adv) = at once  
**join (us)** (v) = to begin to take part in an activity that other people are involved in

**match** (v) = look attractive together because of a similar colour, pattern, etc.

**video tapes** (n, pl) = special plastic boxes containing tape where you can record sound and pictures

1 Read the texts quickly. Who can you see in the photo?

Choose the correct answer A, B or C.

- A Megan and her boyfriend
- B Steven and his girlfriend
- C Henry and his girlfriend

  
  



# Shopping and you

There is a popular idea that girls love shopping for clothes. They **shop around** for bargains all day. They **try on** clothes that they don't really want. Finally, they buy a lot of clothes but they don't keep them all. The next week, they **take back** the things they don't like and start all over again! Boys, on the other hand, buy the first thing they see which fits them. Then they don't enter a clothes shop again until their clothes **wear out** or they **grow out of** them, whichever happens first.

Is this true or not? We asked you for your own true-life experiences and here are a few of your replies.

## Megan, aged 17, Bristol

In my opinion, it's totally true. I hate shopping for clothes with my boyfriend.<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ He has two ways of reacting when I try on things. At first, he is too honest. He reacts with horror or makes jokes about the clothes I choose. Then, when he gets more bored, he says that everything is great or wonderful. Also, he has no idea about what is fashionable. I buy him things which are a little more elegant but he doesn't wear them. He's slim and looks good in close-fitting jeans but he prefers very loose clothes. Oh well, at least he's got a great personality!

## Steven, aged 16, Leicester

The idea that boys don't like shopping for clothes is really old-fashioned. Boys now are not like boys from the 1980s.<sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ They don't all wear shabby clothes. A lot of them want to look nice. What's your next article going to be about? Why don't young people buy video tapes anymore? Most of us live in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Come and join us. It's great here!

## Henry, aged 18, Bath

I love shopping with my girlfriend. We shop in places with a good choice of clothes for men and women. That way, we can both try things on at the same time. My girlfriend helps me a lot. She understands colours better than me. She can see immediately what goes with what and which colours look wrong together. She also finds things that match my personality.<sup>3</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ I **hang up** the clothes she doesn't want and **put back** dresses, skirts and T-shirts in the right place. It's true! She's much more untidy than I am.

