



## Clothes idioms



To be in  
someone's shoes

get down to brass  
tacks/to work

on a shoestring

look extremely  
good



dressed to kill

on a low budget

pull up one's  
socks



look very  
attractive

look like a million  
dollars

have too much  
self-confidence



too big for your  
boots

improve your  
behaviour or results

roll up one's  
sleeves

be in somebody's  
position not  
always good one





1. If I \_\_\_\_\_, I wouldn't know how to deal with such a difficult boss!
2. We travelled around Europe \_\_\_\_\_ – we stayed in hostels and cooked our own meals.
3. She arrived at the party \_\_\_\_\_ in that red dress and high heels.
4. You've been late twice this week – it's time to \_\_\_\_\_ and start taking your job seriously.
5. When he came out of the salon in his new suit, he \_\_\_\_\_!
6. Ever since he got promoted, he's been acting \_\_\_\_\_ and ordering everyone around.
7. There's a lot of work to do before the event, so let's \_\_\_\_\_ and get started.
8. I wouldn't want \_\_\_\_\_ – she has to make some really tough decisions every day.
9. They managed to organise the wedding \_\_\_\_\_, yet it was beautiful and elegant.
10. You'll need to \_\_\_\_\_ if you want to improve your grades this semester.



Use the idioms in these situations:

- in a shop
- at school
- talking with parents
- about a colleague
- about travelling







If I \_\_\_\_\_, I wouldn't know how to deal with such a difficult boss!

- A) looked like a million dollars
- B) were in her shoes
- C) rolled up my sleeves



We travelled around Europe \_\_\_\_\_ – we stayed in hostels and cooked our own meals.

- A) on a shoestring
- B) too big for our boots
- C) dressed to kill



She arrived at the party \_\_\_\_\_ in that red dress and high heels.

- A) dressed to kill
- B) pulling up her socks
- C) on a shoestring

You've been late twice this week – it's time to \_\_\_\_\_ and start taking your job seriously.

- A) roll up your sleeves
- B) pull up your socks
- C) look like a million dollars



When he came out of the salon in his new suit, he \_\_\_\_\_!

- A) looked like a million dollars
- B) was on a shoestring
- C) was too big for his boots



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- A) dressed to kill
- B) too big for his boots
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- A) roll up our sleeves
- B) pull up our socks
- C) dress to kill

