# Clothes and fashion

There are **two main types** of people about fashion. In first group, there are **people who don’t care** about what they wear. They just want to be warm in winter and fresh in summer. They have clothes only for **practical reasons** and they don’t care about how they look. I think that there isn’t lot of these people because, that how we look and what we wear is that thing which make **first impression** on other people and that is most important impression.

In the second group of people, there are **people who care** about what they wear and how they look like. Obviously, there are people who care **more** and people who care about that **less**. People who care more are usually **women**. That’s probably because woman usually wants to **express their personality** through clothes and other things which influence that how we look like. Of course, there are also many **men**, who take care about fashion more than some women. There is also name for this kind of man and its **metrosexual**. But still, woman usually recognizes better, **which** **colour fit to other colou**r and so on.

There are also some **extremists**, who need to be **dressed** **perfectly** at any time, they read fashion magazines and they also have their dresses make **to** **measure** (na míru [mežr]). Fashion is just their **hobby**. I am quite glad that there is not such a person in our class.

## Criteria we have to care about while we are buying new clothes

I think that much **important** **parameter** for everyone is **price**. I think that everyone have some **price** **border**. For example I know that I would never buy trousers, which would **cost more than two thousand** Czech crowns. There is also good to consider, if it is better to buy some **quality** things or some poor ones but **cheaper**. I red somewhere this saying:”**I am not so rich to buy poor quality things.**”

It is also good to consider, **how** **to** **buy** new clothes. In the past, there was only one way, to go to some **store** and buy it. But now, there is still more and more **popular** to **buy** **things** on **the** **internet**. It is fact, that we can’t perfectly choose **clothes** **according** to the **pictures** but it is possible and I think that in the future, this way will be **used** **more** **and** **more.** I myself don’t buy clothes on the internet. I just bought some t-shirt with funny headlines.

Another parameter which **influences** **what** **kind** **of** **clothes** to buy is **place** **where** **we** **live** and also **actual** **season**. It’s obvious, that some woman in **arctic** **tundra** can’t wear **mini**-**skirt** and some T-shirt, on the other side, there would not be smart to wear **fur-coat** somewhere **in** **the** **middle Africa**. But according to the season, sometimes we buy **winter** **dresses** **even** if it is actually **summer** for example. Because of some **selling out action**, when we can buy quality goods for less money, for next summer or winter.

Another thing we should **consider** is **material**. There are many **natural** **materials** such us **cotton** (bavlna), **wool** (vlna), **skin** or **silk** (hedvábí) and also many **human**-**made** **materials**. Used material for our dress is not important just because of our **comfortability** but even because of **washing** **it**. Some materials can’t be **washed** in **high** **temperature** water or can’t be **ironed**.

## Fashion according to seasons and other situations

**In summer**, we wear light summer dresses such as **loose** **blouses** (volná halenka), **short** **sleeves** (krátký rukáv), **skirts** (sukně), **cropped** **trousers** (zkrácené kalhoty), **shorts** (kraťasy) and various **T-shirts** with low **necklines** (nízký výstřih). On the feet, we have **sandals** or **slippers** (pantofle). When we go swimming we wear swimming suits. Women can wear **one**-**piece** or **two-peace** swimming suits; man can wear **bathing** **slips** or **trunks**.

**In winter** we need to wear something **warm** such us **suits** (oblek), **trousers** (dlouhé kalhoty), **jeans**, **sweaters** (svetr), **anoraks** (větrová bunda), **winter** **coats** and **jackets**. Sometimes even a **fur-coat** (kožich), **gloves**, **caps** or **mufflers** (šála). And good warm winter boots of course.

When we go to the **concert** or some other serious **culture** **action** we wear **evening** **dress**. Mans have **black** **suits**, light shirts and **tie** (kravata) or **bow-tie** (motýlek). Women have some **evening** **suits**.

For **sports** we wear some sport clothes such us **T-shirts**, **shorts**, **blazers** or **track** **suits** (tepláky).

**At home**, when we want to feel comfortable, we wear **slacks** (pohodlné kalhoty), jeans, t-shirts and slippers (pantofle) on the feet.

In some places people **wear** **uniforms**. It’s special kind of clothes, the same for **some** **profession** or sometimes there are uniforms used **in** **schools**. We don’t use them in **Czech** **schools** but there are still some schools in **Great** **Britain** where they use them. Professions where they use uniforms are for example **police**, **doctors** or **sweepers** (kominík). In the school, they use uniforms because they want to **prevent from** **competition** and hide **differences** **in** **family’s** **income**. While boys usually don’t mind it a lot, girls prefer ordinary clothes.

Another special kind of clothe are **costumes** (kostými). They are used in **theatre** sometimes or on some carnivals.

## Something else about fashion

Fashions **don’t** **go** **just** **forward** but it **reverts** to **older** **style** sometimes. So some kind of clothes can be funny in one time and in the other time, it is absolutely **IN** again. This old style is usually little bit **improved** but some **aspects** are **still** **there**. I think, that often some kind of clothes get to **mainstream** just because some **Hollywood** star or favourite singer gets dressed into it.

But **clothes** **is not the only thing** which influence our style and that what we look like. There are **ear-rings**, **chains** and **rings**. In the past, it was **domain of woman** only, but in the present, it is not strange if some men have a chain or ring. Another visage affecting things are **tattoos** or and **piercings**. But there are many others things such us **hair-styles**, **make-ups**, **hand-bags**, **gloves**, **belts**, many kind of **jewellery**, **glasses** or even **mobile** **phones** or **mp3** **players** which become part of fashion too I think.

