Clothes and Fashion

Are clothes important to you?

Yes, to an extent. I don't keep up with the latest fashions, but I like to look smart. I wear clothes that suit me and improve my appearance.

What kind of clothes do you usually wear?

It depends where I am. If I am at home, I wear casual clothes such as sweatpants and a t-shirt. At work I have to wear a shirt and tie. If I am not well-dressed, my boss will be angry!

Do people in your country follow fashion?

Yes, I think that Mongolians have a good sense of style. I mean, not everyone can afford to buy designer labels, but most people choose clothes that look good on them.

Do you ever wear the traditional clothes of your country?

Yes, but only for special occasions. Here in Mongolia, our traditional costume is called a *deel* and we wear it during Lunar New Year celebrations. It is a big, heavy piece of clothing, so it is not practical to wear it every day.

to keep up with the latest fashion: to wear the latest fashions.

smart clothes: having a clean, tidy and stylish appearance.

to suit someone: to look good on someone.

well-dressed: to be dressed attractively.

to have a sense of style: the ability to wear clothes that look stylish.

designer label: a well-known company that makes (often expensive) clothing.

Practice Questions

Are clothes important to you? (Why/Why not?)

What different clothes do you wear for different situations?

Where do you usually buy your clothes?

Do people in your country follow fashion?

Do you think the clothes we wear say something about who we are?

