

Clothing Boutique/Fashion

PART ONE USEFUL EXPRESSIONS

- 1. I like the full outfit in the display window.
- 2. I need a lighter/darker shade to go with that skirt/shirt.
- 3. Is it made with silk or cotton?
- 4. Will it shrink during regular washing?
- 5. Does it have to be dry-cleaned?
- 6. Could you take my leg measurements please?
- 7. Do the earrings go with my necklace and bracelet?
- 8. Don't you think the colors are too flashy for my age?
- 9. I would not buy heels that are that high. How will you walk on those things?
- 10. That section holds all the top fashion designer labels.
- 11. I have to go shopping to ease my fashion addiction.
- 12. I need something that is really plain and simple.
- 13. They might look good, but they are not very practical for every day walking.
- 14. Some fashions are not meant for everyone.
- 15. I can't wear this. It is suitable for my grandmother.

PART TWO MORE USEFUL EXAMPLES

- 1. Have you decided which style and color for your suit?
- 2. Are you looking for something casual or something more formal?
- 3. I don't like the striped pattern on the cuffs and sleeves.
- 4. What colors do you prefer?
- 5. Here are the two different shades of red in stock right now.
- 6. Black is always a neutral fashion color it can be worn on any occasion.
- 7. Can you show me the different fabrics for that suit?
- 8. I'd like to see some of the clothes in your Winter Collection.
- 9. They are having a huge end-of-summer sale this month.
- 10. They only sell high-end fashion items from famous designers.
- 11. Be careful of fake items.
- 12. You can't really tell the difference between the fake and genuine article.
- 13. Those shirts are too feminine for me. I never wear pink.
- 14. She has a strange fashion sense.
- 15. He has not fashion sense at all.

PART THREE SITUATIONAL DIALOGUE PRACTICE

Number 1

Read the dialogue below carefully and complete it so A states her preference and also gives a reason. Use 25 - 20 words for your response.

Classic Looks

- A: What kind of an outfit are you looking for?
- **B:** I am not sure I just know it is a very important occasion.
- A: Can I ask what kind of occasion?
- **B:** It is our annual awards banquet for the company.
- A: Ok. So you need something really elegant then?
- **B:** Yes. I have to look my best. Where are your evening gowns?
- **A:** That section is over in the corner. Would you like something conservative or more daring?
- B: I would prefer ...

Number 2

Read the dialogue carefully and complete it so that A explains why she prefers a tailored pant suit. Use 20 -30 words for your response.

- **A:** I need something more age appropriate. That shows too much skin.
- **B:** I must say that you wear your age really well.
- **A:** Thanks for the compliment. But, that style is too young for me.
- **B:** We have styles that show much less skin over here.
- **A:** That is more like what I am looking for.
- **B:** Are you looking for a dress or tailored pant suit?
- A: I will go with a pants suit because ...