

3 Me and them

Time to read!(1)

Match the words to the pictures... according to the kind of clothes to wear in the different situations.



Tuxedo



Woolen socks

Sneakers



Jeans

Track suit

Boots

Jacket

Bow tie

Flip-flops



What are you wearing right now?... Is it "fashionable"?

a) What do you wear to parties; the mall; church?

b) Are your clothes always/ sometimes/ never/ fashionable? Why?

Before you read the text, try to answer these questions:

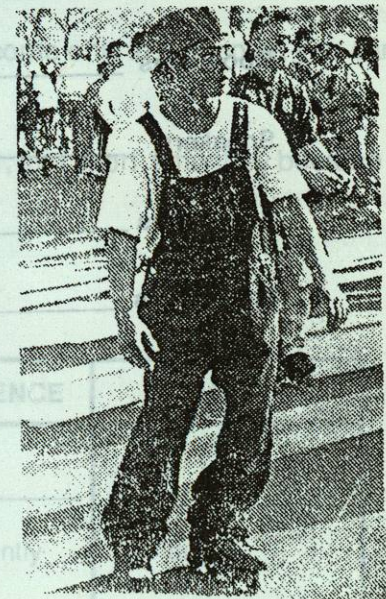
- How do you think a "uniform" can be fashionable?
- What do farmers, carpenters, painters and railroad workers have in common?
- Write down the name of one piece of clothing that can be.

- Unisex
- Comfortable
- Casual
- Cheap
- Fashionable

Task 1

- Now read the article and check your answers to the above questions.
- What title would you give the article?

Overalls are for hardwork. There's no celebrity designer label on the back pockets. With bib front, wide suspenders and roomy pockets, the unrestricting garments are quickly becoming popular with young people, who wear them with T-shirts. They're a favorite of Rollerbladers, who in warm weather are known to make into cutoffs. Their popularity has much to do with comfort, function and inexpensive price (there's no celebrity designer label on the back pockets). The fashion industry has been trying since the 1960's to design a one-piece garment that doesn't inconvenience women when they have to go to the bathroom and that isn't limited to a one-size-fits-all crotch. With overalls, at least, they don't have to struggle out of sleeves, and adjustable suspenders allow the wearer to establish a comfortable crotch. Well-constructed commercial overalls come in blue, white and black denim and in stripes. Like jeans, their signature is cooper rivets and buttons.



Check with another group. Do you have any differences? Do you know why?

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The text states:
 ("there is no celebrity designer label on the back pockets") What about your clothes?

a) What celebrity designer labels do you wear?

b) Complete the column:

PRODUCT DESIGNER OR TRADE MARK

Watches _____

Pens _____

Shoes _____

Jewelry _____

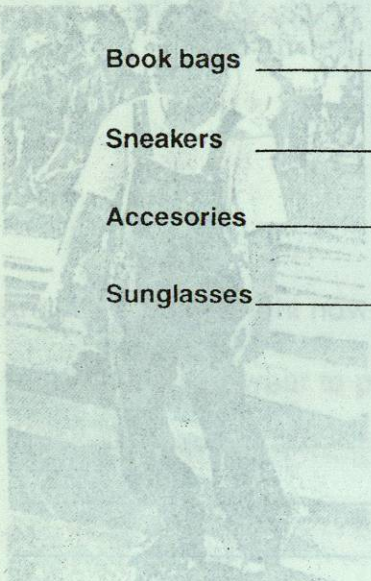
Perfume _____

Book bags _____

Sneakers _____

Accessories _____

Sunglasses _____



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Skill: Connectors

A connector "connects" the ideas in sentences and paragraphs.

Task 1
 Match these columns:

And	=	Links two contrasting ideas
But	=	Links the consequence to the cause
So	=	Links two similar ideas
Because	=	Links the cause to the consequence

Task 2

Look at the sentences. Underline each connector. Write it in the appropriate box.

- Overalls are not used only by farmers. In addition, they are used by carpenters and painters too.
- Overalls are for hardwork. Therefore, railroad workers cannot work without them.
- Young people wear overalls for skating, because of their comfort.
- Although people who use overalls think they come only in one color, you can buy them in white, too.
- Overalls were only used for working. However, in a short time they became popular as casual wear.

ADDITION	CONTRAST	CONSEQUENCE	CAUSE
	but	so	
also	_____	consequently	due to
furthermore	in spite of		
moreover			

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Task 3

Underline the connectors that link the ideas in the sentences below.

In the space, indicate whether the relationship between the idea is one of: addition, contrast, consequence, or cause.

Follow the example. There can be more than one connector in a sentence.

Example: The overall quickly became popular because it has many pockets.

CAUSE

1 The popularity of overalls has much to do with comfort, function and inexpensive price, but some people may not buy them because they have no designer label on the back pocket.

a) _____ b) _____ c) _____

2 Although they can be used with any garment, young people like to wear them with T-shirts.

3 In warm weather, overalls may be too hot, so rollerbladers make them into cutoffs.

4 Overalls are functional, comfortable and, furthermore, inexpensive. They also have a lot of pockets. a) _____ b) _____ c) _____

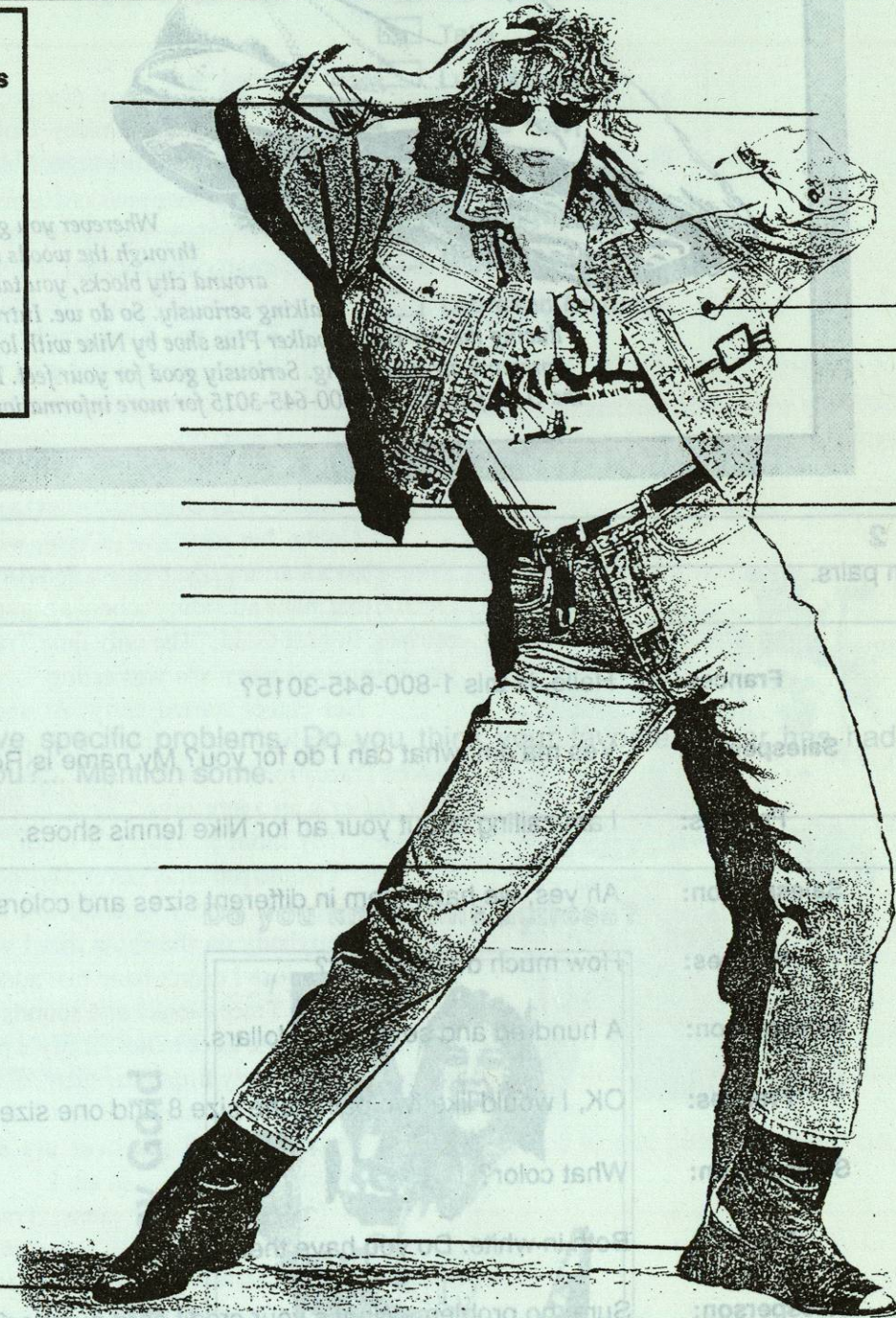
5 In spite of its efforts since the 1960's, the fashion industry has only just designed a convenient one-piece garment.

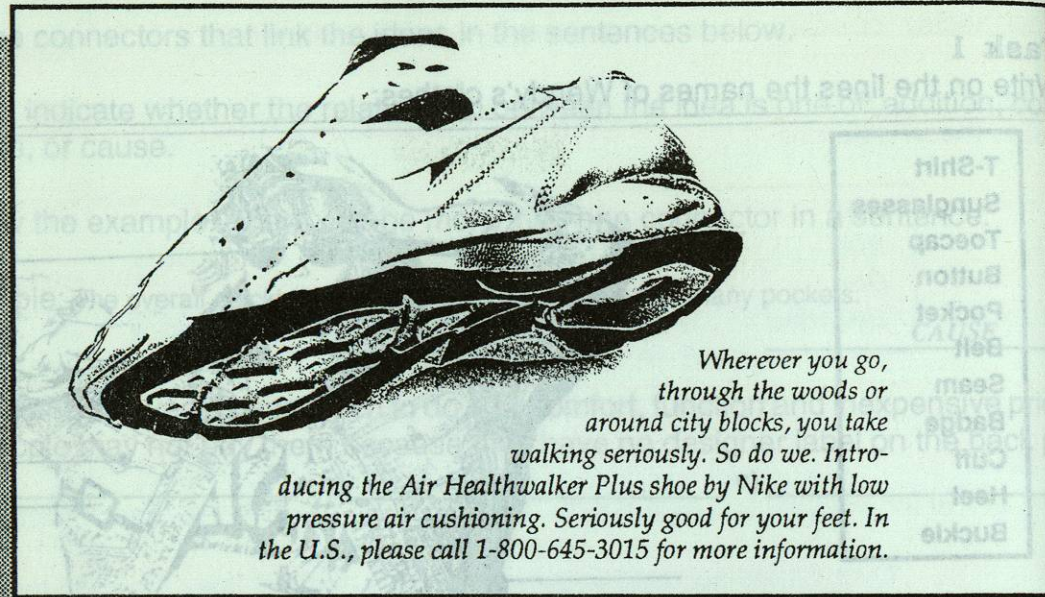
Words at work

Task 1

Write on the lines the names of Wendy's clothes:

- T-Shirt
- Sunglasses
- Toecap
- Button
- Pocket
- Belt
- Seam
- Badge
- Cuff
- Heel
- Buckle





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Task 2
Work in pairs.

Frances: Hello, is this 1-800-645-3015?

Salesperson: Yes ma'am, what can I do for you? My name is Roger.

Frances: I am calling about your ad for Nike tennis shoes.

Salesperson: Ah yes, we have them in different sizes and colors.

Frances: How much do they cost?

Salesperson: A hundred and seventeen dollars.

Frances: OK, I would like two pairs, one size 8 and one size 9.

Salesperson: What color?

Frances: Both in white. Do you have them?

Salesperson: Sure, no problem. What's your credit card number?

(Continue the conversation in pairs)

Time to read! (2)

How much do you like these singers? Rank them 1-8 in order of *your* preference. Compare with other group.

- Bibi Gaytán
- Talía
- Luis Miguel
- Gloria Trevi
- Mijares
- Alejandra Guzmán
- Miguel Bosé
- Laureano Brizuela

Give three reasons for choosing the singer you put #1.

Teenagers have specific problems. Do you think your favorite singer has had the same problems as you?... Mention some.

Do you know this actress?



Tracey Gold

Task 1

After reading the following text write the situations that are common to Tracey Gold and you.

Tracey Gold

It doesn't take a genius to figure out that one of TV's youngest golden girls is growing up

This girl deserves a medal! Like a lot of us, Tracey Gold had a lousy time in junior high. But unlike the rest of us, this twenty-one year-old beauty had to go through "terrible teens" *twice!* Of course, there were some small consolations. As Carol Seaver, the brainy daughter to Joan Kerns and Alan Thicke on ABC-TV's *Growing Pains*, Tracey got paid to get picked on by a dumb (but very cute) jock brother, played by Kiefer Sutherland.

"It's neat growing up on television," says the actress. "I had a hard time in school so much. Acting (in this series) was really great for me."

Unlike her character, Carol, who's an honor student, Tracey has a learning disability called Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD) that made attending school a nightmare. According to her mother, Bonnie Gold, "The only time Tracey was able to escape her misery was when she was acting."

Her career started early: At age five she attended an acting school and auditioned with her father (who was also an actor). The producers picked Tracey for the commercial... and her dad switched careers. "My father's an agent now," says Tracey. "He owns his own advertising company. My mom is simply a mom." "Without them," Tracey confides, "I would probably never have gotten this far." With her mother's support, Tracey recently lost twenty-five pounds. "I didn't tell anybody on the show that I was on a diet. I think I succeeded because I didn't have that added pressure."

Today, Tracey looks and sounds like the quintessential California girl. She lives in her family's poolhouse, which she has converted into a cozy little apartment. She's slim, fit, and has a drop-dead gorgeous boyfriend. "I met Roby (who's twenty-five) through Joanna. Once I got over my shyness, we hit it off instantly. Joanna is thrilled... so am I."

As for future career plans, Tracey's just wrapped up her role in *Question About Sex*, a fall ABC *Afterschool Special* about sex education in the classroom. And Carol Seaver's destiny? "Carol is really starting to loosen up, which I like," says Tracey happily. "And we just found out that our show got signed for two more seasons, so I'm really excited." Sounds like the road ahead is paved with gold.



Tracey Gold

Common situations

Me

Task 2

Tick the correct interpretation on the left.

- a) **Had a lousy time.**
Means that:
 - She enjoyed herself very much.
 - She had a difficult time.
 - She didn't have time.
- b) **Tracey had to go through her terrible teens twice!**
Means that:
 - Tracey Gold was very happy in her teens.
 - Tracey Gold had to re-live her teens.
 - Tracey Gold was not happy in her teens.
- c) **The only time Tracey was able to escape her misery was when she was acting.**
Means that:
 - The only time Tracey was unhappy was when she was acting.
 - The only time she didn't have a good time was when she was acting.
 - The only time she was happy was when she was acting.
- d) **Today Tracey looks and sounds like the quintessential California girl.**
Means that:
 - Today, Tracey thinks that everything in California is good.
 - Today, Tracey Gold is a typical girl from California.
 - Today, Tracey is the most popular girl in California.
- e) **It's neat growing up on television.**
Means that:
 - It is good to waste time working on television.
 - It is good that time passes working on television.
 - It is good to get older working on television.

After reading about Tracey and her family can you explain the importance of "family integration"?

Work with a partner. Be ready to report to another group.