

First Term Exam

Part one: Reading:

- Read the following passage carefully then do the activities.

Fashion is a particular style that is popular for a few months or years. We speak of fashion in cars, furniture as well as in music. But most commonly, fashion refers to a style of clothing which is worn at a given time but is expected to change. For example, women's fashion changed frequently during the 1800's. Often, fashion in several areas is linked, giving rise to a period style. The music, dance and clothing of the 1960's is an example of a period style.

Although fashion usually refers to dress, it does not mean the same thing as clothing. People used to wear clothes that reflected customs of their communities, and clothing styles changed extremely slowly. Fashion, however causes styles to change fast for a variety of historical, psychological, and sociological reasons. A clothing style may be produced as a fashion, but the style becomes a custom if it is handed down from generation to generation.

From "World Book 2004"

A/ Comprehension:

1) Choose the letter (a - b- c) that best completes each sentence.

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| a) The text is: | a - letter | b – an interview | c – an article |
| b) The title of the text is: | a -Tradition | b – Clothing style | c – Fashion and Style |

2) Are the following statements true or false?

- a) People used to put on clothes that represent traditions of their communities.
- b) A clothing style fashion may become a custom if it is kept in use by many generations.
- c) Clothing styles don't change at all.

3) Answer the following questions according to the text:

- a) What does generally fashion refer to?
- b) Did women's fashion change frequently during the 1800's?
- c) Pick out from the text an example of a period style?

4) In which paragraph is it mentioned that fashion in many places can lead to a period style?

B) Text exploration:

1) Find in the text words or phrases that are closest in meaning to the following:

dressed (§1)

quickly (§2)

2) Which nouns can be derived from the following verbs?

Verbs	Nouns
- To perform	Performance
- To change	
- To act	
- To govern	
- To produce	

3) Ask questions that the underlined words answer.

- They used to go out, but these days they usually stay at home.

- Where
- How often

4) Complete each sentence with the appropriate relative pronoun: (who – whose – whom)

a – A man (.....) mobile phone was ringing didn't know what to do.

b – The manager (.....) the players are meeting next week is competent.

c – The man (.....) robbed the bank was arrested.

5) Reorder the following words to make a coherent sentence.

young / today / imitate / cinema / famous / people / many / stars / the

6) Classify the following words according to the pronunciation of their final "s"

years – causes – months – reflects – clothes – cars

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Part two: Writing

- Chose one of the following topics :

Topic 1: Complete what Ahmed says to Omar

Ahmed: How are..... called?

Omar: Well! Practices that change frequently are called fashions.

Ahmed: What

Omar: They include social dances, styles dress and slang expressions.

Ahmed: How a custom?

Omar: A fashion may become a custom through long usage.

Ahmed: Can an example?

Omar: Look! eating with a fork was a fashion in Europe during the 1500's, but is now a custom throughout the western world.

Topic 2 : Write a paragraph of about 80 words on the following topic .

- Do you like wearing fashionable clothes and shoes? Say why?