



Task 2: The Importance of Fashion

Welcome to a practice listening for the ISE 1, listening task 2.

You are going to hear a short talk about **the importance of fashion**. You will hear the talk twice. The first time, just listen. Then I'll ask you to tell me in a few words what the speaker is talking about. Are you ready?

The task will play once

Now tell me in a few words what the talk was about.

Give the candidate some blank paper

Now listen to the talk again. Write down some notes about what you hear if you want to. Then I'll ask you to tell me six pieces of information about **the importance of fashion**. Are you ready?

Now tell six pieces of information about **the importance of fashion**.

Now let's go over the potential questions. Remember, the examiner can ask you up to 4 additional questions after you say the six pieces of information that you heard.

This is the end of listening task 2.

Audio Script

Fashion is important **because [connector]** it **might [modal verb]** represent a generation, culture or personal style. **If you enjoy fashion, you will have [First Conditional]** to add or update your wardrobe every season. Some people spend a lot of money on their wardrobe but others buy them in second-hand shops **in order to [infinitive of purpose]** save money. Also, **if you have had a job,** like a teacher or a lawyer, **you must dress [Zero Conditional]** nicely **because of [connector]** the good appearance you **need to [modal verb]** have. For this reason, working professionals are going to **have to [modal verb]** invest in clothes the next season or two, so that they are always presentable. **A lot [Adverb of quantity]** of young people **prefer to [Preferences]** use fashion to express their personal style. In every generation, we **were seeing [Past Continuous]** this, not only in the type of clothes worn, but also in the hairstyles, jewelry, accessories and even tattoos. **If you enjoy** an extreme style, **you will probably see [first conditional / will probably]** that some people might reject it. However, people **must [modal verb]** wear what they **prefer [preferences]** because you should love what you wear. People **have worn [present perfect]** clothes that they love **for [keyword for the present perfect]** generations now and we need to continue this tradition.

Answers & Questions

1	generation / culture / personal style	What does fashion represent?
2	update your wardrobe	Can you tell me what you need to do every season if you like fashion?
3	Second-hand shops	Where do some people buy their clothes to save money?
4	(to have a) good appearance	Why might somebody need to dress nicely
5	invest in clothes (next season or two)	What do working professionals need to do?
6	To express themselves / to express their personal style	How do young people use fashion?
7	hairstyles / jewelry / accessories / tattoos	What are some fashion elements that people can use to express their own style?
8	reject them	What might some people do to others that wear extreme styles?
9	Clothes that they prefer	What must people wear?
10	Wear clothes they love	What have people done for generations?

Marks: +_ / +10

Activity 2: Reading

Find grammar in the audio script and highlight it, writing behind the grammar: For example:

You must know that... = You **must [modal verb: must]** know that

Grammar list:

- Present Perfect
- Because
- Because of
- Will for future use: will probably // will surely // will likely
- Adverbial quantities: a lot // much // many
- Expressions of preferences: I prefer // I would rather // I'd rather
- Zero Conditional
- First Conditional
- Past Continuous
- Modal verb: must
- Modal verb: Might
- Semi-modal verb: have to
- Semi-modal verb: need to
- Infinitive of Purpose: in order to // so as to

Once you have found all the grammar, write down some vocabulary and ideas in the audioscript.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.



Activity 3: Writing

Write an essay for your school paper (100 to 130 words) about the importance of fashion:

- >> Say why a younger and older person might dress differently
- >> Explain how fashion is important in different ways to different people and
- >> Suggest different places where somebody could buy clothes

Plan your writing with the grammar, writing format, and ideas from the writing prompt before starting.

We have two "essays". Discursive essay and Descriptive essay

→ (Formal) Discursive essay asks for information and facts.

→ (Informal) Descriptive essay asks for a memory or an experience from you, that you lived through.

This is a Descriptive Essay.

Title

P1: The Introduction

- Direct Phrase (1 sentence)
- Pre-Summary (2 sentences)

P2: The Body

- Answer all the aspects in the writing prompt
- All grammar for this level as listed in activity 2

P3: The Conclusion

- To conclude, / In conclusion, + opinión (1 sentence)
- Recomendación (1 to 2 sentences)



Activity 4: Speaking

Now, think about having a two minute conversation about: Why is fashion important to some people? You can use ideas from the listening activity and/or add your own ideas.

What ideas can you use?

1. Fashion can help a person express themselves.
2. Taking care of what you wear can give a good impression to other people.
3. Some people wear extreme styles because they like being different and it represents their personal taste.
4. Somebody might need to dress nicely if they have to work in an office or go to a party.
5. Lots of people buy their clothes in shopping centres because there are many different shops and there is a lot of variety.
6. Some people use accessories, like belts, jewelry, hairstyles and tattoos to be fashionable.

What questions can you ask?

1. What can fashion do for somebody?
2. Why should people take care of what they wear?
3. Why do you think that some people wear extreme styles?
4. What is a reason why somebody might need to dress nicely?
5. Where do you usually buy your clothes and why?
6. What are some things people use to be fashionable?