

Do the preparation task first. Then read the article and do the exercises to check your understanding.

Preparation

Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–f next to the numbers 1–6.

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| 1..... to customise something | a. a style involving having colourful, spiky hair and clothes with lots of pins and zips |
| 2..... a sewing machine | b. a style involving dark clothes and pale make-up |
| 3..... goth | c. to change an item so it matches your individual taste |
| 4..... punk | d. material that clothes are made from |
| 5..... second-hand | e. a machine for making clothes |
| 6..... fabric | f. not new; something that has been used or owned by someone else |

1. Check your understanding: true or false

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

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| 1. | Young people in the UK express their individual style by wearing high street clothes. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 2. | Goths added safety pins to their clothes. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 3. | You can customise a T-shirt with any image that you want to use. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 4. | You can make clothes using a sewing machine. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 5. | Second-hand and vintage clothes are popular. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 6. | Second-hand clothes are usually expensive. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

2. Check your understanding: gap fill

Complete the sentences with a word from the box.

clothes	T-shirt	fit	friends
black	paints	buttons	goth

- Aylish is a _____.
- John used to make T-shirts for his _____.
- Helen adapts clothes by changing the _____.
- Corinne used to make _____ when she was a student.
- Helen changes clothes to make them _____ better.
- Aylish dyed her clothes _____.
- John used fabric _____ to customise clothes.
- Simon has a _____ with an image of Obama and Che Guevara on the front.

3. Check your grammar: multiple choice – used to

Circle the best word or phrase to complete these sentences.

- Punks **used wear** / **used to wear** / **use to wear** safety pins.
- A couple of years ago Simon **used to make** / **makes** / **made** a T-shirt.
- Corinne **didn't use to have** / **didn't used to have** / **didn't to have** much money when she was a student.
- I **use to wear** / **usually to wear** / **used to wear** all black when I was a teenager.
- She **used to buy** / **usually buys** / **buy** second-hand clothes these days.
- What did you **used to wear** / **use to wear** / **worn** when you were younger?

Discussion

- What are you wearing today? Do you get creative with your clothes?
 What type of clothes do teenagers wear in your country?
 Have you ever made any of your own clothes? Would you like to try?