

## **Clothes and Appearance Recommendations**

*You will be in one situation below. Ask for your partner's advice about your appearance.*

### **Useful advice/ suggestions/ recommendations phrases – Lower level version**

#### **Asking for advice/ suggestions/ recommendations**

- What do you recommend/ suggest?
- Do you have any ideas/ advice/ recommendations/ suggestions?
- What do you think I should wear/ use/...?
- Do you think I should wear/ use/...?

#### **Advice/ suggestions/ recommendations (most positive top to most negative bottom)**

- You really must...
- You'd better... (or you'll regret it/ or...)
- I strongly/ highly/ thoroughly recommend.../ You really should...
- You should.../ You ought to...
- My advice/ recommendation is.../ I (would) (personally) recommend/ suggest.../ If I were you, I'd...
- You should probably...
- You could...
- I wouldn't (necessarily/ really) recommend...
- I don't think (that) you should...
- You really shouldn't...
- You mustn't...
- You really mustn't...

#### **Useful language for responding to advice (most positive top)**

- That's a great idea. I'll definitely do that./ That's an excellent suggestion. I'll do exactly what you said.
- That seems like a good idea. I'll do that.
- You are probably right. I'll try that.
- That's not a bad idea. I'll try my best to do that.
- That might work. I'll think about it.
- I'm not so sure that's a good idea (because...) (Can you suggest anything else?)
- I don't think that's a good idea (because...) (Do you have any other ideas?)

*Ask about any situations you don't understand, discussing what is(n't) suitable each time.*

- audition (for a boy band/ for a girl band)
- (working in a/ night out in a) bar/ pub
- barbecue/ picnic
- bodyguard
- (long/ relaxing/ Sunday) brunch
- (night/ long distance) bus
- camping/ glamping
- clubbing
- cold/ cold weather/ cold office/ cold... - heat/ hot office/ hot weather/ hot...
- (classical/ pop) concert/ gig/ opera
- (blind/ first/ second/ joint) date
- demonstration/ protest
- drinks with colleagues
- (all-night) film showing
- first day (at university/ at work)
- (long/ overnight) flight (in business class/ in economy class)
- flight attendant
- (casual/ friendly) football match between colleagues
- funeral/ wake
- golf (with a business contact/ with friends)
- graduation (ceremony/ party)
- hiking/ walk (along the beach)
- hospital (receiving visitors)
- humidity
- (telephone/ Skype/ face-to-face) job interview
- meeting your boyfriend's parents for the first time/ girlfriend's parents for the first time
- meeting an ex(-boyfriend/-girlfriend/-husband/-wife)/ someone famous/ a client/...
- moving furniture (at work)
- "Netflix and chill"
- (dinner/ costume/ fancy-dress/ house/ housewarming/ Halloween) party
- (passport/ dating profile/ street fashion/ security card) photo
- (TED.com) presentation/ speech
- pyjama party/ sleepover
- shop assistant
- spying/ undercover policeman
- teaching (in a pre-school/ PE)
- television appearance (on a talk show/ as a talking head)
- to show off your (newly) great body
- to stand out in a crowd
- university society meeting
- video conference
- visit to a Muslim country
- visit to a church (as a tourist)
- (making a) vlog/ YouTube video
- (your own/ someone else's) wedding (ceremony/ reception)
- weekend away with colleagues

Choose words below and discuss situations they are(n't) suitable for.

<b>adjectives/descriptions</b>	<b>clothes</b>	<b>other appearance vocab</b>
bare – covered	bikini	back
bold/ loud – subtle	blazer	(hand/shoulder)bag
bright – dark/ sombre	(walking/ Wellington) boots	bangs/ fringe
casual – business/ formal	(sports/ push-up) bra	beard
cheap - expensive	braces/ suspenders	belly/ midriff
clashing – matching	cape/ cloak/ shawl	bellybutton
classic – trendy	clogs	brooch/ pin
comfortable	(rain/ waist-/ winter) coat/ mac	bumbag/ fanny pack
cotton	dress	(man) bun
denim	flip flops	chain/ necklace
diamond	(sun)glasses/ spectacles	colours
dyed – natural	(ball-/ dressing) gown	cuff links
fancy/ showy	(bomber) jacket	(dangly) earrings
fluorescent	jeans	eyebrows
fluffy	jumper/ pullover/ sweater	goatee
gold/ silver/ platinum	(football/ soccer/ sports) kit	hair
gorgeous	leggings	hair gel
grey/ greying	overalls	hair spray
Hawaiian	pajamas/ pyjamas	hairpiece/ wig
high-heeled	(under)pants/ knickers	(lower/ upper) legs
leather/ ...skin	panty hose/ tights	lipstick
long – short	plimsolls	make up
long-sleeved–sleeveless	poncho	moustache
loose – fitted/ tight	(head) scarf	parasol
luxurious	shirt	parting/ part
manicured	(slip-on/ sports/ Velcro) shoes	ponytail
modest – revealing	shorts	purse/ wallet
novelty	skirt/ kilt	(engagement/ wedding) ring
nylon	sneakers/ trainers	(school) satchel
padded	(ankle-length/ knee-high)	shoulders
permed – straight/ ironed	socks	sideburns
pierced	(fishnet) stockings	skinhead
ready-made–tailor-made	(three-piece/ skirt/ swim-) suit	stubble
scruffy – smart	sweatshirt	toe nails
see-through	swimming costume/ swimsuit	
shaved – unshaved	T-shirt	
short-sleeved	(black/ bow) tie	
silk/ silky	(hooded/ tank/ vest) top	
smart-casual	tracksuit (trousers/ top)	
spiky	trousers	
summer – winter	trunks	
tattooed	undershirt/ vest	
thick – thin	(thermal) underwear	
Velcro/ zip-up	waistcoat/ vest	

**Brainstorming stage**

*First of all without any help, brainstorm suitable phrases into the categories below.*

**Asking for advice/ suggestions/ recommendations**

**Advice/ suggestions/ recommendations (most positive top to most negative bottom)**

**Useful language for responding to advice (most positive top)**

### Mixed answers

Use the phrases below to add at least two more phrases to the right places in each of the categories above.

- Do you have any ideas/ advice/ recommendations/ suggestions?
- Do you think I should wear/ use/...?
- I don't think (that) you should...
- I don't think that's a good idea (because...) (Do you have any other ideas?)
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*Brainstorm suitable clothes and appearance vocabulary in the same way.*

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