### Topic vocabulary in contrast

# A Complete using the correct form of the words in the box.

current • glimpse • fit • clothing • match • look • glance modern • suit • new • appearance • cloth

- 1 If you care about your ..... too much, people might start to think you're vain.
- 2 It's quite a nice skirt, but I don't think it really ...... my shoes.
- 3 My mum always looks quite ...... and tries to keep up with the latest fashions.
- 4 The ancient Romans wore items of ......quite different from today's fashions.
- As I went into the designer's office, I caught a ...... of her drawings before she hurriedly put them away.
- 6 I know long skirts were in last year, but the ...... fashion is to wear them quite short.
- 7 I've got to buy some ...... shoes for the wedding on Saturday.
- 8 I didn't get the coat in the end because it didn't ...... me under the arms.
- **9** The shirt is so expensive because it's made out of a special ...... that has gold in it.
- 10 I don't think this jumper ...... you because you've got blue eyes and pale skin.
- 11 The designer ...... at my designs and told me that they needed more work.
- 12 Long dresses and high heels is quite a good ...... for you.

## **B** Circle the correct word.

- 1 Do you think the average / everyday person is interested in fashion?
- 2 I wish Dad would get a new **costume / suit** to wear for his job interview.
- 3 I've got red hair, so I never put on / wear red clothes or I'd look silly.
- 4 John got a really cool blouse / top in town yesterday with Eminem on it.
- 5 India supplies / produces the world with cheap clothes.
- 6 I'm going to get my nails dyed / painted tomorrow.
- 7 During the **design / manufacture** of the clothes, lasers are used to cut the material accurately.
- Which **costume** / **suit** do you think I should wear to the fancy-dress party the cowboy or the vampire?

#### Phrasal verbs

## C Write one word in each gap.

### Anti-fashion by Lisa Wilkinson If you ask me, it's high time they (1) ...... away with fashion. I've had enough of it. Just when I think I've finally got it right, I pop (2) ...... a clothes shop to find that they've changed all the rules! One minute it's cool to wear brand new expensive stuff, and the next you have to take all that (3) ...... and wear clothes that look as if they've been handed (4) ...... by your grandma. You can't win! Well, I've torn (5) ...... my fashion magazines and adopted anti-fashion. It's an idea that has grown (6) ....... of frustration and, to be honest, a lack of money to spend on yet another dress that I only wear once. I started by drawing (7) ...... a plan. I decided to line all my clothes (8) ..... together, try them all (9) ...... and give to charity anything that either didn't fit or suit me. Then, I wouldn't buy any more new clothes until something wore (10) ...... I went (11) ..... my plan again, and knew that I would have to be tough with myself. After all, I'd spent a lot of money on some of that stuff. Finally, I plucked up the courage to do it. It felt a little bit like being a child again, dressing (12) ...... in your mum's clothes, but I also felt a great sense of freedom. That was a year ago and, although I occasionally see something and think, 'Oh, that's gorgeous!', I haven't bought any clothes. If you ever come over to my house and I (13) ...... you around my bedroom, you might see last season's fashions, but you'll also see a woman who feels free. And that's anti-fashion. Do you think it'll catch (14) .....?