



Cultures and Customs

Chapter 2 Study Guide

Directions: As you read the chapter, answer the following questions. Later you can use this study guide to review for the Chapter 2 test.

1. Why is clothing compared to a piece in a cultural puzzle? _____

2. Give one example showing how national or regional dress develops to meet practical needs. _____

3. Culturally speaking, what is notable about the Indian sari? _____

4. How have fashions been “globalized” in recent years? _____

5. How is clothing’s “symbolic value” useful as a clue to culture? _____

6. Why is it hard to identify a national costume of the United States? _____

7. Explain how a person who typically wears only a loincloth can be as modest as someone who dresses daily in a full-body robe.

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8. Why is it useful to know a society's clothing customs? _____

9. How do clothing expectations influence clothing choices? _____

10. In what situations might you be expected to follow a dress code? _____

11. Are clothing standards the same throughout a society? Explain. _____

12. Why is it important to dress appropriately for an interview? _____

13. How can an employee determine what is appropriate "business casual" attire? _____

14. What guideline is helpful for choosing clothes to wear for a religious service where the type of clothing isn't specified?

15. Why might movie stars be poor role models for choosing clothing for a job? _____

16. List some reliable sources for advice when you're not sure how to dress for an event. _____

