Clothes and fashion ESL lesson plan (B1)

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Stage	Time
Warm-up	5–10 min
Vocabulary	15 min
Controlled practice	10 min
Grammar focus	10 min
Speaking	15 min
Wrap-up and homework	5 min

1. Warm-up (5–10 min)

- How would you describe your style?
- What is the oldest thing in your wardrobe, and why do you keep it?
- Have you ever bought clothes you never wore?

2. Vocabulary (15 min)

Elicit each word before you give it, model the pronunciation, then check meaning with a quick question.

Word	Meaning	Example
dress code	rules about what clothes people can wear	The office has a strict dress code.
dress up	to wear formal or special clothes	We dressed up for the wedding.
dress down	to wear more casual clothes than usual	We dress down on Fridays at work.
trend	a new fashion or style	Oversized jackets are a big trend this year.
trendy	very fashionable (informal)	She took me to a trendy bar.
old-fashioned	not modern any more	My dad's clothes are very old-fashioned.
out of fashion	no longer fashionable	Those shoes went out of fashion years ago.
designer	made by a famous fashion company	She only wears designer clothes.
brand	a product name made by a particular company	What's your favorite clothing brand?
match	to look good together	Your shoes match your bag.

Grammar focus (10 min): Much, many, a few, a little, enough, too

Sam and Priya organise a school picnic for forty families. Priya checks the list: “We have a few tables and a little money left, but we don’t have enough cups. And there are too many cakes!” By the end of this lesson you can talk about quantities precisely.

Form	Pattern	Example
Countable	many · a few · too many	a few chairs · too many cakes
Uncountable	much · a little · too much	a little money · too much noise
Too	too + adjective	too hot · too loud
Enough	enough + noun · adjective + enough	enough cups · big enough

Watch for: ~~There is a few milk.~~ → **There is a little milk.**. Milk is uncountable.

Speaking (15 min): Pack for three occasions

The learner packs one small bag for a job interview, a hike and a wedding in the same weekend. They list what they take and explain what each item is for; you question two of the choices.

Useful language

- I’m wearing… / She’s got… on.
- smart · casual · scruffy · trendy
- It goes with… / It matches…
- It suits you. / It doesn’t fit.
- to try on · to put on · to take off · to dress up
- It’s too tight / too loose.

Wrap-up and homework (5 min)

- Each learner says the three new words they will remember, and one sentence with each.
- Homework: write 80–120 words about clothes and fashion using at least six words from the lesson and the grammar point.
- Self-study: the B1 clothes and fashion vocabulary page on englishcue.app has a self-correcting quiz with all 22 words.

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Student handout · Name: _____ · Date: _____

A. Word bank

go with · high heels · scruffy · comfortable · vintage · accessories · second-hand · elegant

B. Complete the sentences

Use a word from the word bank. Then compare with a partner.

1. I buy a lot of _____ clothes.
2. He always looks a bit _____.
3. These shoes are really _____.
4. She always chooses great _____.
5. She loves _____ dresses from the 1960s.
6. Does this tie _____ my shirt?
7. She looked very _____ in black.
8. I can't walk in _____.

C. Talk with a partner

Ask and answer. Make notes of one interesting answer to report to the class.

1. What did you wear as a teenager that you would not wear now?
2. Do you dress differently for work and for friends?
3. Is it important to follow fashion?
4. What do you wear to feel confident?
5. What do people wear to a wedding in your country?

Write

Write 80–120 words about clothes and fashion. Use six words from the lesson.

Answer key

B. Complete the sentences: 1 second-hand · 2 scruffy · 3 comfortable · 4 accessories · 5 vintage · 6 go with · 7 elegant · 8 high heels