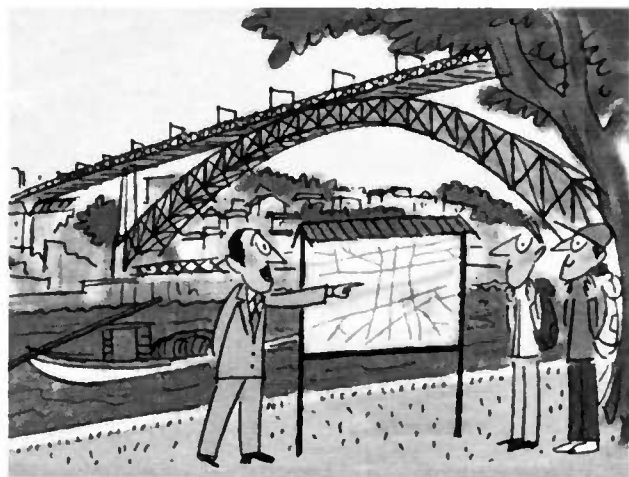


2B Older and wiser?

1 GRAMMAR adjectives as nouns, adjective order

a Complete the sentences with *the* + adjective.

- 1 **China** The Chinese won the most gold medals at the 2012 Olympics.
- 2 **Japan** _____ eat a lot of fish.
- 3 **Ireland** _____ celebrate St Patrick's Day on 17th March.
- 4 **Switzerland** _____ have a good standard of living.



- 5 **Portugal** _____ are very kind and friendly to visitors.
- 6 **England** _____ have a reputation for being polite.
- 7 **Scotland** _____ enjoy spending time outdoors.



- 8 **France** _____ are extremely fond of cycling.

b Complete the sentences with the noun form of an adjective from the box.

blind deaf disabled injured elderly rich unemployed young

- 1 The deaf usually communicate with each other using sign language.
- 2 The government is offering courses to help _____ to find jobs.
- 3 After the accident, _____ were taken to hospital.
- 4 The building has easy access for _____.
- 5 Do you think _____ should pay higher taxes than the poor?
- 6 In some countries, _____ use special dogs to help them find their way around.
- 7 _____ always think that they know better than their parents.
- 8 Should the family or the state look after _____?

c Right (✓) or wrong (✗)? Correct the mistakes in the highlighted phrases.

- 1 Sarah's wearing a denim short skirt.
✗ a short denim skirt
- 2 I'm looking for a sleeveless cotton T-shirt.

- 3 I want to buy some leather white trousers.

- 4 My sister's bought some purple trendy glasses.

- 5 He gave his mother a patterned silk scarf for her birthday.

- 6 He looks very smart in his grey new Armani suit.

- 7 She was wearing a bright red woollen scarf.

- 8 You can't wear those old scruffy jeans to the wedding.

2 READING

a Read the article quickly. Tick (✓) the sentences that are right and cross (✗) the ones that are wrong.

Hipsters...

- 1 always look smart. _____
- 2 go shopping as often as they can. _____
- 3 care a lot about current affairs. _____
- 4 love listening to music. _____
- 5 eat in fast food restaurants. _____



How to be a **Hipster**

Today, hipsters can be seen more frequently than ever before. They are part of a subculture that rejects everything mainstream in favour of expressing their own uniqueness. If this sort of thing appeals to you, you might like to consider becoming a hipster yourself. Read on to find out more.

1 Dress like a hipster

Hipsters would never wear designer clothes because they prefer to create their own image. Indispensable items in a hipster's wardrobe include skinny jeans or leggings and T-shirts with ironic messages printed on them. Check and flower patterns are also popular, and it doesn't matter if the garments don't match. They wear cowboy boots or Converse trainers on their feet, and as far as accessories are concerned, they wear sunglasses, bright belts and they generally have a couple of piercings.

2 Shopping

Consumerism is something that hipsters can't stand, so they don't go shopping very often. Instead they prefer to make use of old things, and they love vintage clothing. Female hipsters raid their grandmothers' cupboards looking for old dresses, while the men go in search of Grandad's old shirts – the ones without a collar. Of course, the clothes generally need to be altered to make them fit, but a hipster is a genius with a needle and thread, so this isn't a problem. The only shops a hipster will enter are charity shops, craft shops, or their local vintage boutique.

3 Lifestyle

Hipsters tend to be very bothered and upset about the way the world works – or doesn't work, in their view. They are usually well-informed because they spend hours every day sitting in cafés surfing the internet on their smartphones or tablets – the only exceptions to their aversion to consumerism. Hipsters are usually quite young – the age ranges from late teens to mid-30s. Most go to university, and many of them base their career choices around music, art, or fashion.

4 Entertainment

Hipsters love all things independent and Indie music is a big part of what they represent. They are always the first to hear about new bands, but once a band becomes popular, they stop listening to them. A typical hipster line is: 'I liked them before they were cool.' When it comes to cinema, they watch independent and foreign films, and they attend independent productions at the theatre. Hipsters also love reading, especially books about political science, anthropology and sociology.

5 Food

Eating meat isn't popular with hipsters, and most of them tend to be vegetarians or vegans. Many grow their own food in their gardens or on a balcony; if not, they go to natural food markets instead. Fruit, coffee and Asian food are very popular with hipsters, and they love making meals for their foodie friends.

So if you want to be a hipster, forget everything you know about being 'cool' and find your own unique way to fit in with this trend.



b Read the article again and choose the right answer.

- 1 The hipster subculture is made up of people who want...
 - a to look cool.
 - b to be different.
 - c to fit in.
- 2 Hipsters don't tend to wear...
 - a sports shoes.
 - b colourful patterns.
 - c baggy trousers.
- 3 Hipsters sometimes go shopping in...
 - a shops that support a good cause.
 - b stores that sell the latest fashions.
 - c places that everyone knows.
- 4 Many hipsters...
 - a like to read about politics.
 - b are involved in politics.
 - c know very little about politics.
- 5 Hipsters like new music...
 - a after it has become well known.
 - b until it becomes well known.
 - c when others stop liking it.
- 6 Hipsters enjoy food...
 - a from supermarkets.
 - b they produce themselves.
 - c in restaurants.

c Find the words or phrases in the text to match definitions 1–10:

- 1 adjective referring to ideas and opinions thought to be normal because they are shared by most people (*introduction*) _____
- 2 the general impression that a person gives (*paragraph 1*) _____
- 3 things that you wear or carry to match your clothes, e.g. bag, scarf (*paragraph 1*) _____
- 4 garments from a certain period in the past (*paragraph 2*) _____
- 5 things you use for sewing (*paragraph 2*) _____
- 6 worried about something (*paragraph 3*) _____
- 7 a strong feeling of not liking something (*paragraph 3*) _____
- 8 not influenced by anything else (*paragraph 4*) _____
- 9 people who don't eat any animal products at all (*paragraph 5*) _____
- 10 a person who is very interested in trying different dishes (*paragraph 5*) _____

3 VOCABULARY clothes and fashion

- a Order the letters in brackets to make a material. Then complete the sentences.
- Jack was wearing a blue denim jacket. (NEDIM)
 - I prefer to wear light _____ shirts in the summer. (TCONTO)
 - I gave my mum a blouse with a _____ collar for her birthday. (ALCE)
 - Are you sure those boots are made of _____? (EHATELR)
 - I never buy _____ clothes because they take so long to iron. (ENNIL)
 - They gave me a very expensive _____ tie as a leaving present. (LIKS)
 - Don't wear your _____ jacket out – it's raining. (DESEU)
 - I really like your new _____ jacket. Where did you get it? (ETLEVV)

b Circle the odd one out.

- hooded sleeveless tight V-neck
- long-sleeved old-fashioned smart trendy
- checked silk spotted striped
- denim fur loose suede
- fashionable patterned scruffy stylish







c Complete the sentences with a verb from the box.

dress up fit get changed get undressed
go with hang up ~~match~~ suits

- That shirt doesn't match your jacket. It doesn't look right.
- The party's going to be quite formal, so I suppose we'd better _____.
- Can you _____ your shirts in the wardrobe, please? I've just ironed them.
- I think I must have put on a bit of weight. These trousers don't _____ me anymore.
- You look great in that new dress! It really _____ you.
- I've been working in the garden, so I'll have to _____ before we go out.
- Ruth is looking for a top to _____ her new trousers.
- Can you tell the children to _____ and jump into the bath, please?

4 PRONUNCIATION vowel sounds

a Circle the word with a different sound.

1  boot	2  bull	3  fish	4  bird	5  bike	6  train
loose <u>scruffy</u> shoes suit	cotton hooded put wool	linen slippers silk striped	fur shirt shorts skirt	fit lycra stylish tight	lace leather plain suede

b **iChecker** Listen and check. Then listen and repeat.

5 LISTENING



a **iChecker** Listen to a radio programme about ageing. Is Laura, the guest on the programme, optimistic or pessimistic about getting old?

b Listen again and mark the sentences T (true) or F (false).

- The elderly tend to be miserable. _____
- Our future health is programmed entirely by our genes. _____
- Some people lead busy lives when they reach old age. _____
- The increase in the number of old people contributes to overpopulation. _____
- The elderly will be lonely in the future. _____

c Listen again with the audioscript on p.70 and try to guess the meaning of any words that you don't know. Then check in your dictionary.

USEFUL WORDS AND PHRASES

Learn these words and phrases.

break down (and cry) /breɪk daʊn/

deal with /di:l wɪð/

elderly /'eldəli/

make up (n) /'meɪk ʌp/

treat (v) /tri:t/

trick (sb) /trɪk/

vulnerable /'vʌlnərəbl/

wig /wɪɡ/

wise /waɪz/

wrinkles /'rɪŋklz/