



# Unfortunate Fashion





# Fashion 101



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# **African Clothing**

### **English**

The idea of African clothing inspires images of rich colors and ceremonial dress but, the fact is, African clothing is as diverse as the African continent. Africa's ancient civilizations demonstrate the continent's long history of creating clothing for utilitarian as well as celebratory and symbolic purposes. Despite its many variations, there are several unifying features of and facts about African clothing.

### **French**

L'idée de vêtements africains inspire des images de couleurs riches et robe de cérémonie mais, du fait n'est, vêtements africains est aussi diversifiée que sur le continent africain. Anciennes civilisations de l'Afrique montrent longue histoire de la création de vêtements à des fins utilitaires ainsi que de célébration et symboliques du continent. Malgré ses nombreuses variations, il ya plusieurs caractéristiques unificatrices de faits et sur les vêtements de l'Afrique.



### THE TIME I CUT MY NAILS

Lucy collected her fingernails since age 12. Yep I said 12. What makes this a tad bit stranger is that Lucy is 13 years old. And if you can figure that out she didn't cut her nails for 12 years! Yes people I said 12 years! Lucy was proud that she cut her fingernails all by herself without Mommy. So that's why Lucy kept her fingernails, for proof. Though Lucy had to keep them secretive because her Mommy would KILL her because, I mean how gross! But Lucy knew she had to keep them because her Mommy often calls her a "baby." Lucy kept them in a little plastic baggie entitled "Lucy's Own Fingernails 1." About 2 weeks later it was time for Lucy to cut her nails again. Lucy decided to be a "big girl again" and cut them and put them into another little plastic baggie entitled Lucy's Own Fingernails 2." Every 2 weeks or so Lucy put her ten fingernails in different little plastic baggies for some time now. But now Lucy was faced with a problem. You want to know? Well keep reading. Lucy was a VERY pretty girl but with her fingernails over 7 feet long prior to cutting them, people considered her a weirdo. Lucy though didn't want to be a weirdo anymore; in fact she wanted to fit in. Now at Tuckerville Middle School the so called "popular girls" all wore nail polish. Now Lucy obviously loved her nails, because not many people could deal with 7 foot long nails, and Lucy was used to plain old white nails. She wanted a change. She went to her Mommy and asked if she could have nail polish of her own. Mommy didn't hesitate with YES and asked why she didn't say so sooner. Mommy drove Lucy to the local Johl's in town to buy some nail polish. Lucy wanted to get pink because she loved ANYTHING girly with purple rhinestones. And you betcha Lucy's Mommy bought it for her. Lucy was overjoyed. Lucy painted her nails the next

day for school and people could not believe it. Lucy was told so many times how beautiful her nails were. But this was not really what Lucy was envisioning. She wanted people to treat her nicely rather how pretty her nails were or not. Lucy had heard about a charity called "Nails for Kids" this charity was for people who had a disease called Misafanakia which can cause you to lose your nails or just damage them. Lucy called "Nails for Kids" and explained her situation. Now for once in Lucy's life she wasn't made fun of. In fact these people were grateful. She was brought to Hinderson Children's Hospital. She went that day to Johl's and bought thousands of dollars' worth of nail polish, glitters, and sequins. She thought instead of just giving these little children her nails she would make them feel very special. And oh she did. One girl in particular that is. Her name was Georgette. She was a 4 year old who was suffering Misafanakia which is life threatening. Lucy remembers her because of her spirit. Georgette was overjoyed when she heard the news. Lucy began gluing on her nails with such joy, she was so proud of what she was doing. When all of the nails were glued on to the empty skin, Georgette picked out her colors. She chose 10 different shades of pink because for her it reminded her of a princess.



Lucy drew on with nail pens pretty princess crowns. She also added pretty gold glitter. Georgette started crying she was that happy. Lucy had so much appreciation from all of her clients suffering Misafanakia. She had made a difference in those little children's life. Lucy decided that this was such a huge success and an uplifting experience that Lucy made this world-wide. Lucy spoke at benefits, at the White House, charity events, hospitals, schools (etc.) Now every child suffering Misafanakia got gorgeous nails all from donations. Most people think sharing cut nails is a gross thing, but Lucy lightened all of her client's lives. To some people it's gross but to them it's a life changer. Lucy never was told she was weird again. I mean from just a quick judgment you'd think 7 foot long nails are gross, but man they made a difference. The popular girls at school didn't call her a weirdo anymore, they A. thought her charity was fantastic, and B. they all became best friends. At this point in Lucy's life, lots of people were proud of her, not only her clients, but her Mommy. Lucy's Mommy was so happy that her daughter wasn't being a baby anymore. In fact she apologized to Lucy for calling her that. Lucy became a Nobel Peace Prize winner, for just as simple as saving her 7 foot long nails! -Written By Payton Brennan

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### Unfortunate Fashion

By Stacy Wollner

Jade was an awkward girl that nobody understood. She was tall and skinny and wore glasses. She didn't have any friends, just carried around an old sketch book that had papers coming out at the seams. Most of the kids in her school would ignore her, which she preferred. However, there was one girl, Jessica, which always seemed to give Jade a hard time. Anything Jade did Jessica always had some snide comment.

Jade liked to come up with different ideas for clothes and style. One time Jade's mom had a lot of tulle in the chest in the basement. Jade took the tulle and sewed it in layers onto one of her long skirts. She called it her long-tu instead of a tutu. Instead of leg warmers or arm warmers for fashion trends she tried to sell the elbow warmer, "Great for resting your elbows on the desk," she'd tell classmates.

Jessica did not like it when kids took Jade's fashion tips and always tried to make the kids feel bad for liking Jade. It never bothered Jade that Jessica was always so mean to her. She just thought she must have an unhappy home life. So whenever Jessica would cut on Jade's fashion ideas, Jade would just respond with a smile and a nod.

One day Jessica had fallen and broke her leg. She did not want to go to school with the hideous looking cast on her leg! What would her classmates say? She would be devastated going to school with this ugly thing on her leg. Jade had gotten wind of Jessica's situation and got right to her sketch book and sewing machine. She worked all weekend in her room with the sewing machine running most of the time. She got very little sleep but she didn't care, her fashion ideas were finally going to be justified by her biggest critic, Jessica!

Monday morning at school, Jade found Jessica right away and showed her what she had been making all weekend. At first, Jessica didn't want to listen. Then Jade pulled something spectacular out of her bag. CAST COVERS! Jessica's eyes lit up as she threw Jade the biggest smile of gratitude at her she has ever seen. Jade made a blue one, a purple one, a flower one, one with peace signs on it, one with hearts on it, and the list went on and on. The BEST thing Jade got out of all of her sewing was a friend whom NOW believed in her and her fashion ideas.



# Letter from the editor

Dear Readers:

My purpose of this magazine is to show how clothes change from the different countries to the different styles to the different decades. My goal for my magazine is to have people try new styles and fads. In my experience with this magazine, it was challenging at times, especially finding writers was a struggle but, with hard work and dedication I think I put out a pretty good magazine. The person that I found most hard working was Lauren. Lauren was one of the many people that said they would do something for me and followed through with it. Some struggles with this month's issue were being unable to meet certain deadlines. But in the end my requirements have all been met. The success of my magazine goes out to all my writers and sponsors. New sponsors, like Teenage Fashion, where you can get your teenager her prom dress and choose from an array of colors and styles.

One of my favorite articles this month was about fashion in the 1890s. Could you imagine living in the times of practical fashion? Thank you all for reading Fashion 101, keep your fashion button turned ON!



Sincerely, Mikayla J. Wollner Editor in Chief





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Dear, Editor

I liked your last magazine. You had a lot of fashion tips. I thought it was very interesting. You had a lot of details that made everything very interesting. In the next magazine I think you should talk a little more about dresses and what famous people like to wear.

# Fashions in the 1890's

By Betty Fischer

Clothing of the Western United States in the 1890's was more functional than fashionable for the working class.

The materials used were canvas, wool, cotton, and muslin. The children's clothing were even made from feed sacks.

The men wore wide brimmed hats and long sleeved shirts to protect them from the sun. They wore kerchiefs (a square piece of material) tied around their neck. These were brought up and tied around their nose and mouth to protect them during dust storms

The women wore wide brimmed bonnets and long sleeved dresses to protect them from the sun. Their dresses were floor length for modesty purposes.

They all wore high boots to protect them from snake and scorpion bites. Compared to previous decades, the women of the 1890s middleclass, were just plainer, simpler, and more practical. In the early 1980s, the dominant skirt shape was the swooping tulip of bell form, which was snug and smooth over the hips and flared dramatically to a wide hem.

Corsets were loosened in the 1890s, and the shirtwaist or blouse, in white, pastels, deep colors, or stripes, were popular. These were generally worn with darker skirts. The bodice was cut extremely narrow in the shoulders with thick gathers of pleats and full over the bosom. The bust line was quite low by 1898.

The sleeves are one of the most distinguishing features of the 1890s costume. In 1890, the sleeve was very tight on the upper arm, and a puff was set vertically, high on the shoulder making it look "puffy".



## **Totally 80s**

Fashion in the 80s was like no other. Extreme fashion included tight pants to baggy pants....Leg warmers, sweater, and a mini skirt....and all in the hue of neon colors. Here are the top 10 fashion fads in the 80s.

### **Shoulder Pads**

Shoulder pads had to be the worst fashion fad of the 80s. Why on earth would woman want their shoulders to look bigger? But in the 80s the bigger the shoulder pads in your big baggy shirt the better.

### **Mini Skirts**

When it came to miniskirts, shorter was always better. Miniskirts were often time worn with leggings in the 80s. This fashion fad has recently made a comeback.

### Leg Warmers

Was this fad for looks or necessity? Were our legs cold from wearing the miniskirts or did we just like the look of the leg warmer? Whatever the reason, they were found in every girl's dresser.

### **Huge Earrings**

Are those Christmas tree ornaments? Nope those are earrings! When it came to earrings in the 80s it was go big or go home!

### **Fingerless Gloves**

This odd 80s fad is also slowly making a comeback. You would find rockers or punks wearing these in the 80s. You would often find Madonna wearing these.

### **Parachute Pants**

Oh, the parachute pant....they started of skin tight and ended up being baggier than baggy! If you were in the "in" crowd you were definitely wearing parachute pants.

### **Members Only Jacket**

Wearing this jacket meant you were up with all the fads and were definitely "hanging with the cool kids". Wearing a knock off of this jacket made you a nerd.

### Units

Baggy top, baggy skirt or pants, matching belt. BORING! This fad did not survive the 80s.

### **Stretch Stirrup Pants**

These pants made no woman look good. Even the skinniest girl looked like a triangle. Usually matched with a big oversized sweater and big socks to go over the bottom of the pants this fad is also making a comeback. These pants should be tucked back into a 80s closet and stay there.

### **Oversized** tops

Big sweaters, sweatshirts and t-shirts were totally hot and wearing them over a miniskirt or a pair of leggings made them even hotter. These tops were most often belted with big and gaudy, low slung belts with the top bloused over the belt.



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