

Fashion and Clothing in Ancient Civilisations

Clothing in Ancient Egypt

The Egyptians really cared how they looked and they always tried to be fancy. They took time to keep themselves and their clothes clean and neatly arranged. Most of their clothes were made from linen. The Egyptians were famous for their weaving. Workers wore simple loin clothes or they worked naked. Wealthier people wore wide garments that were wrapped and tied around them. The priests wore leopard skin robes. If you were rich or poor you would wear jewelry.



Hair and Makeup in Ancient Egypt

Both Egyptian men and women shaved their heads and wore wigs. Their wigs were made of wool or human hair. Young girls had long hair and boys had shaved heads. Older men and women had shaved heads and wore wigs. On special occasions women wore curled wigs. Both men and women wore jewelry and both rich and poor wore jewelry. They wore rings, necklaces and ear studs.

Both men and women wore makeup. They used colored minerals mixed with oil to make their makeup. They also coloured their hair and nails with henna.



Clothing in Ancient Rome

In ancient Rome they generally wore tunics, togas, stolas, brooches, and breeches. Wool was the most commonly used fibre. Silk and cotton was imported from China and India. Silk was rare and expensive so only the rich people wore it. They used leather to keep their soldiers warm when traveling. They wore animal skins over their armour with the head sitting on their head. Women wore tunics or a stola with a palla over the stola. Girls wore short tunics at home and long tunics outside. The dress code was different for different genders, or languages, it was also different if you were rich or poor. Both genders rich or poor wore togas. They wore sandals and boots mad out of leather and sometime wood.



Hair and Makeup in Ancient Rome

In ancient Rome women could do what ever they wanted to do with their hair. They could colour it, curl it or chop it off if they wanted to. Hair curlers, pins, and hair net were commonly used. They used pins made out of wood, ivory, crystal, silver or painted bone. They curled their hair by rolling their hair on a



cylinder and putting another cylinder on top of it and heating it with fire. They colored their nail with a product they imported from India that came from a Indian insect. Perfume was used very often that it was considered strange if they didn't wear it.



Clothing in Ancient Greece

In ancient Greece men often wore little or no clothes. For sports and working in hot places they did not wear clothing. When women were around they wore clothes. If you were a woman you were expected to wear clothes. Rich and noble women wore veils around their heads and lower face. Greek clothes were simple and required little stitching. They created styles by folding and pins. You could tell the fabric was higher quality because it would be colorful or it would have embroidered edges. They were normally barefoot some men wore sandals or boots in the winter.



Hair and Makeup in Ancient Greece

In ancient Greece women wore their hair in knots, braids, curls, down, or in hats or scarves. Men wore hats and cared for their beards by combing, oiling, and trimming them. They seriously cared about their skin tone and wanted to be pale. The upper class had people follow them holding a sun shade over them. They showed off their skin tone by wearing gold bracelets. Blonde hair was highly prized and people without blonde hair used a wash to make it appear blonde. They wore hair nets made of gold thread.



Clothing in Ancient Mesopotamia

In ancient Mesopotamia they learned how to pound wool and weave it into cloth. Men wore loin clothes that provide little coverage. Later they started wearing longer skirts that went to their knees that was held up by a belt. Women wore a shawl that covered their bodies. Later they started wearing sewn clothing with tiers and fringes. Kings and military officers wore woolen cloaks dyed blue, red, purple, or white. Women wore V-neck sleeved dresses. They made clothes from natural resources that was available to them such as flax and wool.



Hair and Makeup in Ancient Mesopotamia

Men usually had shaved heads or had long hair and beards. Girls had long hair and normally braided it or wrapped it around and held it in place with a scarf or hair net. They put gold hair nets and pins in their hair. They also put flowers in their hair. Men wore helmets and were obsessed with having long wavy beards that curled at the end. Priests, doctors, and slaves had to wear distinctive hairstyle. Grey hair was treated with lotion and incantations .



Clothing in Modern Canada

In Canada we wear so many different kinds of clothes I cant fit it on this page or the next. Most men wear pants and a t-shirt everyday, and most women wear either a dress, a shirt with a skirt, or a pants and a shirt. Girls care much more about what they look like than boys. Some of the fabrics we use now are jean, polyester and cotton. Clothing now is nothing like clothing in the ancient civilizations, boys no longer wear skirts. Unlike the ancient civilizations practically everything is expensive.



Hair and Makeup in Modern Canada

People in Canada wear their hair in many different ways. Girls do much more with it than boys. Boys don't usually do anything with their hair. Girls do a lot with their hair like they curl it, straighten it, or put in it ponytails or buns or braids. So girls do their hair like in the ancient civilisations but not as fancy. People put a lot of things in their hair, like girls put hairband, hair elastics, hair pins, and clips and they put chemicals such as hairspray in it. Boys do not put make up on but most girls put on a lot of it.



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