

Handout 5.2: What Clothing Says, and the Class Agreement

Name: _____ Date: _____ Period: _____

The rule for today: We talk about clothing. We do not talk about each other's clothes. Nobody in this room has to explain or defend what they are wearing.

Directions: Fill in Part 1 and Part 2 during the slides and the shirt demonstration. Fill in Part 3 during the culture and generation slides. Copy the class agreement into Part 4 at the end and sign it if you agree to it.

Word bank in other languages

English	Turkish	Portuguese	Spanish
impression	izlenim	impressão	impresión
communication	iletişim	comunicação	comunicación
nonverbal	sözsüz	não verbal	no verbal
uniform	üniforma	uniforme	uniforme
costume	kostüm	fantasia (traje)	disfraz
culture	kültür	cultura	cultura
respect	saygı	respeito	respeto
agreement	anlaşma	acordo	acuerdo
setting	ortam	ambiente (situação)	entorno (situación)
audience	izleyici (karşıdaki kişi)	público	público

Part 1: Clothing is communication

People communicate through four channels. Fill in the missing ones and give an example of each.

Channel	What it is	An example
1. Words	The words you choose	
2. Voice		
3. Body		
4. Appearance		

Clothing lives in channel number ____.

A uniform says: _____



A costume says: _____

One sentence: what has to be true for a costume to work?

Part 2: The same shirt, three settings

One shirt. Three settings. Fill in the grid.

Setting	What the shirt says here	Who is reading it
A job interview		
A family cookout		
A school hallway		

Finish the sentence: The shirt did not change. What changed was _____

Part 3: Culture and generations

3a. Write one example of clothing that carries cultural meaning. You can use one from the slide or one you know.



3b. Finish this sentence in your own words: “It is just a costume” does not work for cultural dress because



3c. Name one thing about clothing that has changed between your parents' or grandparents' generation and yours.

3d. What did adults say about what your parents or grandparents wore at your age?



Part 4: Our class agreement

The class writes this together. Copy the final lines here.

What is okay to say about what somebody is wearing











What is not okay to say about what somebody is wearing











The line I nominated: _____

My reason for it: _____

I agree to this. Signed: _____ Date: _____

Exit card (tear off or write on an index card)

1. One line from our agreement you will actually use:



2. One thing clothing says without words:



3. One question you still have: