



# Dressed to shock

From London to LA and Tokyo, there are teenage style gangs who dress to shock.

Shibuya, a shopping area in the centre of Tokyo, is full of cheap make-up shops and clothes boutiques. It is the favourite place of the Gunguro, a group of Japanese girl teenagers who are famous for the way they look.

The name Gunguro comes from the Japanese for black face because their faces are brown from hours in the tanning salon. They spend a lot of money on make-up. This season they are wearing blue or white lipstick and white make-up round their eyes. They look like clowns. Their clothes are a mix of 1970s Hawaiian surf-style and anything bright and cheap. They want to look shocking.

Aya Tashita, is a typical 15-year-old Gunguro. Today she is wearing an orange blouse, a yellow and white checked skirt and an orange purse round her neck. Her lip is pierced. My father doesn't like the way I look, but all my friends think I look great. Tonight we're going to a karaoke party and lots of people are going to be there. We like people to notice us and freak out a bit.

As well as special shops, Gunguros have their own magazines and they are often in the news. The newspapers say that they are like aliens from outer space. But the girls don't seem to care.

## Before you read

What is the girl in the picture wearing? What nationality do you think she is?

## 14 Read

a) Read and guess the meaning of these words and phrases.

- style • gang • shock • make-up
- tanning salon • lipstick • clown
- shocking • blouse • purse • lip • pierced
- freak out • aliens • outer space

b) Read the article and answer the questions.

- 1 Where are the Gunguro girls from?
- 2 Why are they called Gunguro?
- 3 What sort of make-up are they wearing at the moment?
- 4 What sort of clothes do they like?
- 5 What are they going to do this evening?
- 6 How do the newspapers describe the girls?

## 15 Over to you

Work in groups.

What do you think about people who wear shocking clothes and make-up?

I think it's OK because:

- it's fun.
- you look different.
- it doesn't hurt anyone.

I think it's silly because:

- the clothes and the make-up are ugly.
- they're very expensive.
- your parents get angry.

## 16 Learn to learn

Lesson follow-up

It's a good idea to plan your English homework. Make a list of things you are going to do after the lesson.

*I'm going to:*

- write the words for clothes in my vocabulary book.
- read the dialogues aloud when I get home.
- read the reading text to Exercise 12 again.

# Progress check Units 13 and 14

## Grammar

1 Complete these sentences with the verb in brackets in the present continuous tense.

- I ... my homework. (do)  
I'm doing my homework.
- 1 She ... the car. (wash)
  - 2 He ... in the library today. (not/work)
  - 3 They ... a great time. (have)
  - 4 He ... his cousin. (phone)
  - 5 ... you ... to me? (listen)
  - 6 My sister ... my new jeans. (wear)
  - 7 What ... you ...? We ... a word puzzle. (do)
  - 8 They ... their homework (not/do). What ... they ... (do)?

2 Write sentences using the going to future.

He (X) play on Saturday. He (✓) watch the Cup Final.  
He isn't going to play on Saturday.  
He's going to watch the Cup Final.

- 1 She (X) write to her friend. She (✓) phone him.
- 2 We (X) watch the film on video.  
We (✓) see it at the cinema.
- 3 They (X) take the bus. They (✓) walk.
- 4 I (X) buy any new clothes for the party.  
I (✓) borrow some.
- 5 We (X) go out tonight. We (✓) stay at home.
- 6 He (X) use the computer. He (✓) tidy his desk.
- 7 You (X) wear that! You (✓) wear something different.
- 8 I (X) work tomorrow. I (✓) visit my grandparents.

## Vocabulary

3 Change these sentences from singular to plural or from plural to singular.

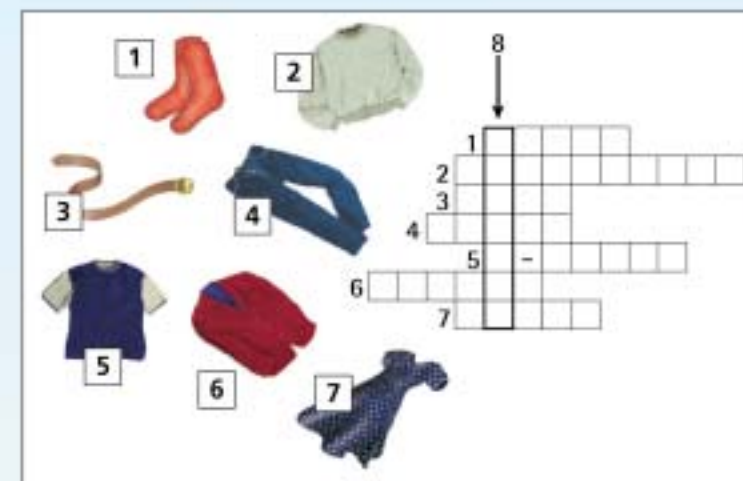
How much is this cassette?  
How much are these cassettes?

- 1 Are you going to listen to that CD?
- 2 What's in these sandwiches?
- 3 Those photos are really good.
- 4 This shop doesn't sell stamps.
- 5 Those bikes are expensive.
- 6 These T-shirts are too small.

4 Write the colours which rhyme with these words.

too blue  
1 bed 2 day 3 old 4 down 5 tight 6 screen

5 Copy and complete the word puzzle with the names of the items of clothing in the pictures. What is the mystery item, number 8?



## Communication

6 Match the two halves of each sentence to make sensible orders.

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|--------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 Come       | a) something to drink, please! |
| 2 Don't be   | b) the answer.                 |
| 3 Don't go   | c) here!                       |
| 4 Give me    | d) late!                       |
| 5 Don't play | e) my T-shirts.                |
| 6 Don't miss | f) that album again!           |
| 7 Tidy       | g) your address to strangers!  |
| 8 Don't give | h) your room!                  |
| 9 Don't wear | i) into my room.               |
| 10 Tell me   | j) the bus.                    |

7 In pairs, do the following things. Then write a sentence for each one.

- Talk about what you are going to do after school.
- Talk about what you are going to wear on Saturday.
- Ask for an opinion about two things you are wearing.

## Self-evaluation Units 13 and 14

How do you rate your progress? Tick the chart.

✓✓✓ Excellent	Grammar	
✓✓ Good	Vocabulary	
✓ OK but can do better	Communication	