Discussion

Discuss your reactions to these questions with a partner:

1. How do you think Björk's outfit sounds?
   brilliant *outrageous* *decadent*
2. If you arrived at a party and someone was wearing a dress like that, what would you think?
   How embarrassing! *Where can I get one?* *What a waste of money!*
3. What would you say if you were introduced to them?
   I just love your frock. *What ARE you wearing?* *Who's your designer?*

Do you think extraordinary clothes really do challenge the way we live? Why? Why not?
Are fashion designers attention seekers or artists?

Language

Cross out the word in each of the boxes which is not a natural collocation:

street current passing factory high	fashion

be in come back into leave go out of follow	fashion

Complete the sentences below with the correct form of a word or expression from the boxes:

1. You must get some new sunglasses. Those ones . . . . . fashion about five years ago.
2. The clothing industry has gone crazy this year. Everything from sports clothes to . . . . . fashion.
3. Alan must spend a fortune on clothes. Whatever he wears . . . . always . . . . fashion.
4. You don't see supermodels with rings in their nose or their eyebrow. It's very much . . . . . fashion.
5. I reckon I could wear my 60s tie-dyed T-shirts again now. They seem to have . . . . . fashion.
6. Everyone's wearing orange this summer. I'm sure it's just a . . . . . fashion.

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Complete this questionnaire on your own first:

How fashion conscious are you?

Fill in the table below with appropriate brand/designer names.

	brands you own	you would like to own	you would never wear
jeans	.....	.....	.....
T-shirts	.....	.....	.....
jeans	.....	.....	.....
trainers	.....	.....	.....
dress / suit	.....	.....	.....

And fashion isn't just about clothes! It's about other lifestyle things.

	brands you own	brands you would like to own	brands you would never buy
watch	.....	.....	.....
mobile	.....	.....	.....
CD player	.....	.....	.....
car	.....	.....	.....
computer	.....	.....	.....

Compare your answers in groups. Then vote for the person in your class who is the most / least fashion conscious.