Neolithic



Clothing would have been made mostly from animal skins. They may have also worn clothing made from grass. Men, women and children would have all worn similar clothes.

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Ancient Egypt



Given the hot climate, only light clothing would have been worn. Men wore skirts and women wore dresses. Ancient Egyptians shaved their heads and wore wigs. People went barefoot most of the time.

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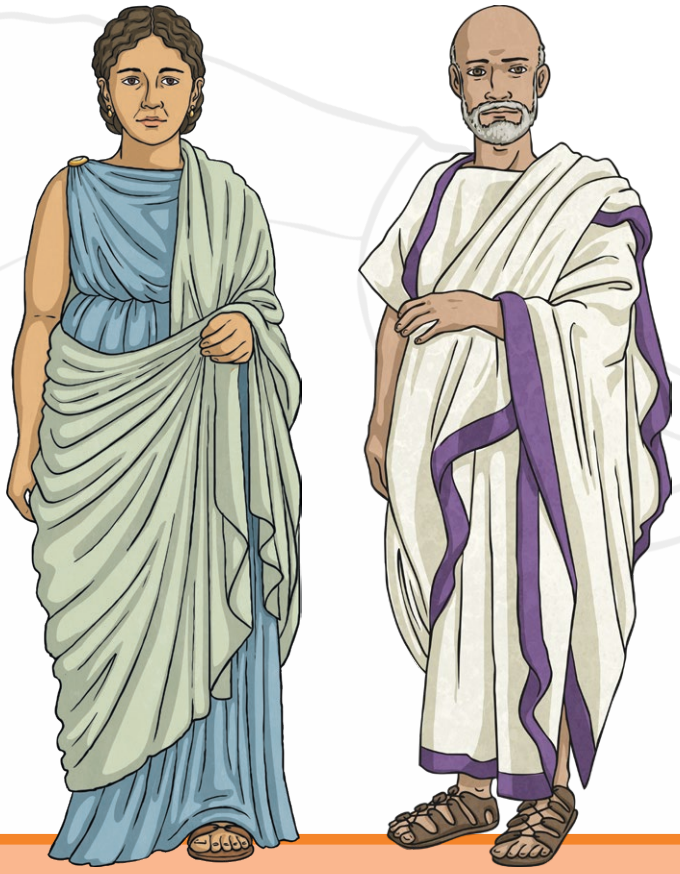
Ancient Greece



Women in ancient Greece wore rectangles of woollen cloth folded and pinned together with holes for arms and heads. Men wore plain tunics of wool tied at the waist and cloaks called himations. Rich people could afford cotton silk.

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The Romans



Roman men wore a white tunic made of wool or linen. Roman citizens wore a semi-circular piece of cloth folded over one shoulder called a toga. Woman wore a colourful long dress called a stola. They often wore a long shawl called a palla.

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Anglo-Saxons



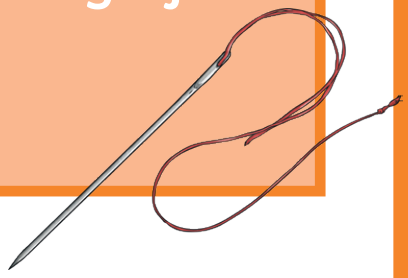
Men wore tunics and tights or stockings. Women wore a long linen garment similar to a nightie, and a long tunic tied at the waste. Men and women both wore clothes made from wool.

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Early Tudor

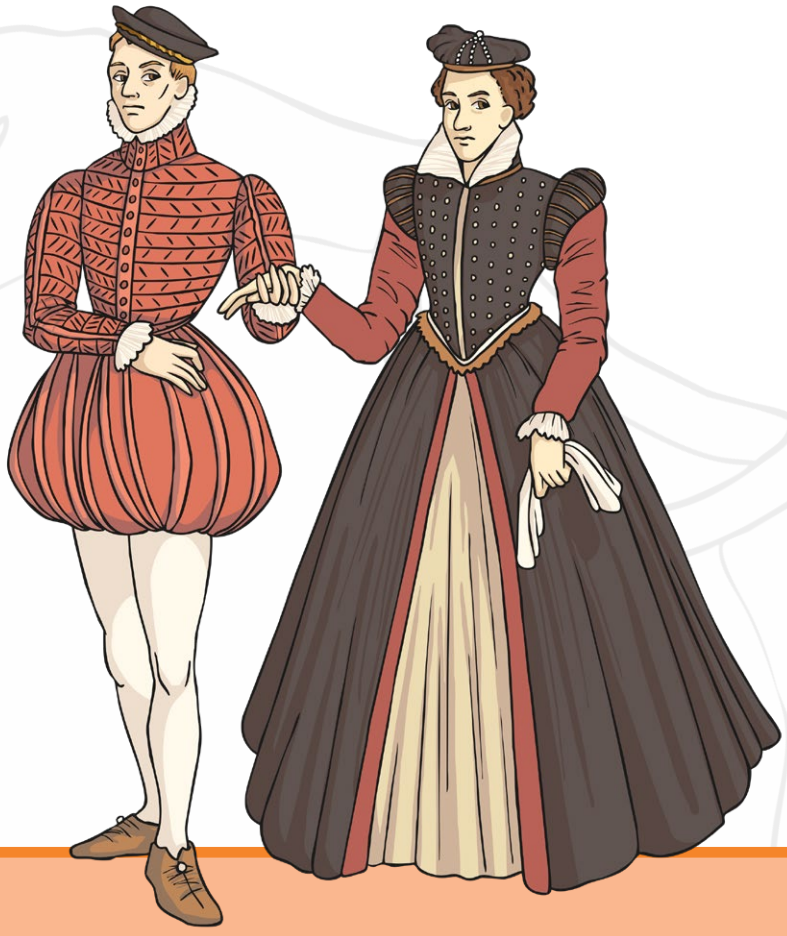


Fashion was very important to the rich Tudors. Clothes for the poor had to be practical. Rich men's clothing gave them a square shape, they wore short doublets over their hose. It was fashionable for their sleeves to be slashed. Many women wore full gowns and corsets that were very tight. They often wore a head-dress.



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Late Tudor



Men's fashion didn't change much; however, the square look was replaced with a sleeker look. Men still wore a soublet and hose but the coat was replaced by a short jacket. Men also wore ruffs around their necks. Women's dresses changed a lot. Bodices became longer and skirts were worn over a circular frame called a fartingale. Women also wore lace or a ruff around the neck.

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Georgian



Men wore knee-length trousers called breeches and stockings. They also wore a linen shirt under a waistcoat and frock coat. Women wore stays (a bodice with strips of whalebone) and hooped petticoats under their dresses. Both men and women wore wigs.

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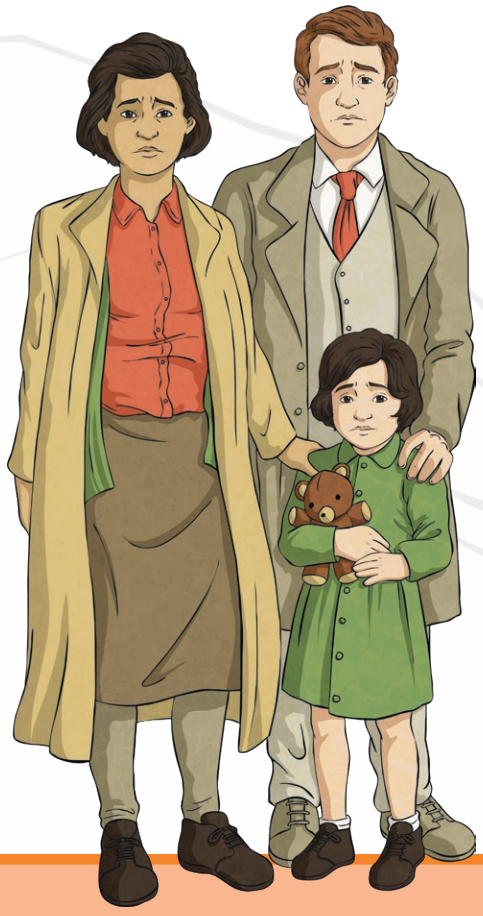
Victorian



People of all classes wore hats. Wealthy men wore top hats, middle class men wore bowler hats and working men wore cloth caps. Before the 19th century, children were always dressed like little adults. The Victorians made clothes especially for children. Women's fashion varied throughout the Victorian era. Men wore trousers, cotton shirts, waistcoats and coats.

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World War II



During World War II, it was necessary to save material so women's skirts became shorter. People were asked to 'make do and mend' and so old clothes were transformed into modern styles. Because many men were fighting in the war, lots of women took on manual jobs. This meant that some women started wearing trousers. Men wore shirts, wool tops and trousers.

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