



## Guía de aprendizaje:

### "PEOPLE AND OUR BELIEFS"

CLASS: ENGLISH 4<sup>TH</sup>

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**OA:**

Leer y demostrar comprensión de ideas principales e información relevante en textos informativos, descriptivos y narrativos auténticos, simples y de variada extensión, como solicitudes y artículos relacionados con estereotipos, ideas y culturas.

#### 1 READ THE FOLLOWING TEXT:

##### WHAT'S IN OUR APPEARANCE?

Often when we try to define we get trapped in stereotypes. First impressions can be dangerous because you can be categorized as a particular type of person which has nothing to do with you. Stereotypes are beliefs about people based on their membership in a particular group. They can be positive, negative or neutral. Stereotypes based on gender, ethnicity, or occupation are common in many societies.

The tendency is to believe that if you come from a tropical climate then you wear multi-coloured clothes, and you are often extroverted and love singing and dancing in the street. It is also said that people from the cold countries are very reserved and don't show their emotions easily. These people usually wear extra warm coats, scarves, gloves, ear-muffs and all kinds of hats to keep the cold out, especially in winter. So, can we say they are old-fashioned and boring because they are not wearing shorts which are the latest fashion?

In some countries, people wear traditional clothes in a stylish modern way, like the women in India who wear saris with sunglasses and the many new styles of turban that men and women are wearing in countries where people wrap their heads. Some people prefer natural fibres and others prefer more industrial fabrics. Does this mean they have a defined personality type?

What about young people? In this age of communication, youngsters all around the world follow their own trends and you will find a teenager with spiked dyed hair as



well as piercings,chatting on the internet with a friend on the other side of the globe who is wearing baggy clothes and has a shaggy haircut.However,both are probably wearing trainers on their feet and share the same musical preferences.Whatever their appearance ,tall or short,slim or broad or wearing vintage clothes ,will this image tell us about someone's behaviour?

We tend to form stereotypes simply because our brains like to put information in order.It is easier to remember things or people if we put them into categories.This developmental theory however should not make us label people just because they remind us of something or someone.We need to get to know the other person before we form an opinion of them.Have you ever formed an opinion about somebody that was completely wrong?

## 2 ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

- 1.-What clothes do you usually wear?
- 2.-Do you like colourful clothes?What colours do you prefer?
- 3.-Do you ever wear baggy or tight-fitting jeans or trousers?When?
- 4.-What do you usually wear when you go out?
- 5.-Are you concerned with maintaining your appearance?
- 6.-Read the article quickly.Is the article about...
  - a)fashion
  - b)stereotypes
  - c)discrimination



7.-Read the text again. Are the statements TRUE (T) or FALSE (F)?

Justify your answer with information from the text.

- a)Forming first impressions is not common.
- b)People assume that weather affects personality.
- c)People with different clothes usually have very different interests .
- d)Our brains can't classify and simplify information for us.

8.-Answer the questions using your own words:

- a)What is a stereotype? What examples can you give?
- b)Are first impressions dangerous? Why?/Why not?
- c)What do you think your clothes say about you? Is it the message you want to project to society.?
- d)Do you think the media has a positive or negative effect on common stereotypes? Why?
- e)Have you ever formed an opinion about somebody that was completely wrong?



9.-Find words in the text that describe hair,clothes, and people. Use a dictionary if you don't understand some of the words. Complete the box.

Hair	clothes	people

10.-Make your own glossary from the text.