

Home Economics

Textiles, Clothing and Fashion



Topic: Collars

Group Level: Form Four/Form Five Revision

Instructions:

1. Read the information provided on Collars.
2. Review what you have learned by completing the worksheet.
3. Use the answer key to assess your performance.

COLLARS

A collar is a decorative and functional feature of a garment. When used for warmth it is both decorative and functional. When used as a decorative feature it frames the face and enhances both the garment and the owner.

Collars fall into two broad classifications:

1. Separate set-in collars (constructed separately, then attached to the neckline) such as “Peter Pan” and “Mandarin”
2. Collars cut and developed with the garment, such as “Shawl”.

Regardless of classification, all collars fit into one of the following categories:

1. Flat Fitting
2. Rolled
3. Stand-up

A Flat Fitting Collar, regardless of width, rolls over from the neckline seam and either ripples or lies flat on the body, e.g. Peter Pan collar, Sailor collar.

- The Peter Pan collar is cut to fit around the curve of the neckline, and to lie flat upon the torso. It can be made either as one part, with a front-fastening bodice, or in two parts to accommodate a back fastening. The collar is small and soft, with rounded corners. This collar is mainly associated with children's wear.



- The Sailor collar is a broad collar having a square flap across the back and tapering to a V in the front. It is intended to lay flat on the back and shoulders of the wearer and contains no visible appearance of a roll. The collar is tailored after the traditional sailor's uniform. It is most commonly worn by women and children, a sailor collar is a quite traditional part of a nautical-themed outfit, and are often employed as part of a costume. The sailor collar is most visible in Trinidad & Tobago carnival with traditional bands portraying sailor costumes.



Sailor collar



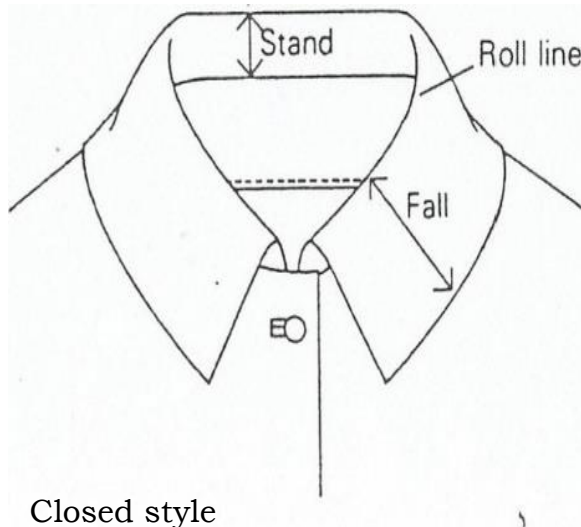
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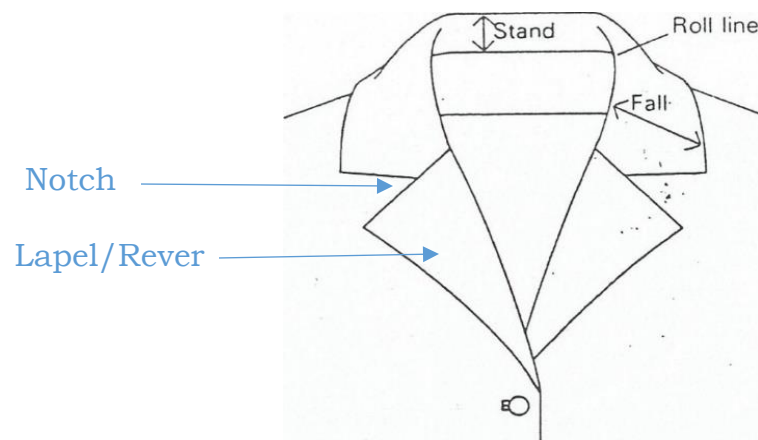
Children in sailor costumes

A Rolled Collar, regardless of width, is a collar that has a stand. It is differentiated from flat collars by a roll line that breaks the collar into stand and fall areas. A stand is the material under the collar at the centre back, which extends backward from the garment neckline to the point where the collar rolls over e.g. Shawl collar, Shirt and Convertible collar.

Parts of the rolled collar



Closed style



Open style

- The shirt collar is the most common type of collar which rests adjacent to the face and helps frame it. The collar is also the most visible part of the shirt when worn with a jacket. Shirt collars are available in a wide range of shapes and sizes.



Shirt collar worn with jacket



Men shirts

- The shirt collar is often referred to as a convertible collar because it can be worn button up or open with a lapel effect. Convertible collars are usually cut as one piece, unlike the banded shirt collar, which is cut in two pieces. Examples of convertible collars are seen on ladies tops or jackets and very popular with school shirts and blouses.
- The shawl collar is a combined lapel and collar in one piece, instead of a separate piece. It curves from the back of the neck down to the front closure of the garment. This collar is popular with bath robes and ladies garments.



Robe with shawl collar

A Stand-Up Collar, is a collar that has no rolled back. It is short, unfolded and stands up e.g. mandarin collar.

- The Mandarin collar is seen on both shirts and jackets. The collar either barely meets at the centre front or overlaps slightly. Mandarin collar suits have been around for centuries and is commonly seen in military wear as well as clothing for priests and clergymen.



Mandarin collar

- The Nehru collar, another style, was named after the Prime Minister of India 1947 – 1964, Jawaharlal Nehru who commonly wore clothing with this type of collar.

Nehru jacket worn by
Jawaharlal Nehru,
Prime Minister of India
1947 - 1964



Worksheet

45 mins

Instructions

- Answer all questions
- When you are finished, use the answer key to assess your performance.

1. What is the difference between flat collars and rolled collars?

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(2 marks)

2. State one similarity and one difference between a shawl collar and a shirt collar.

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(3 marks)

3. Complete the table by naming the best collar for the garment.

Garment	Collar
Priest clothing	
Dress for a toddler	
Costume for a pre-schooler's carnival band	
Robe	
Ladies jacket	
Top to be worn with a jacket and tie	
A blouse to be worn either closed or open at the neckline	

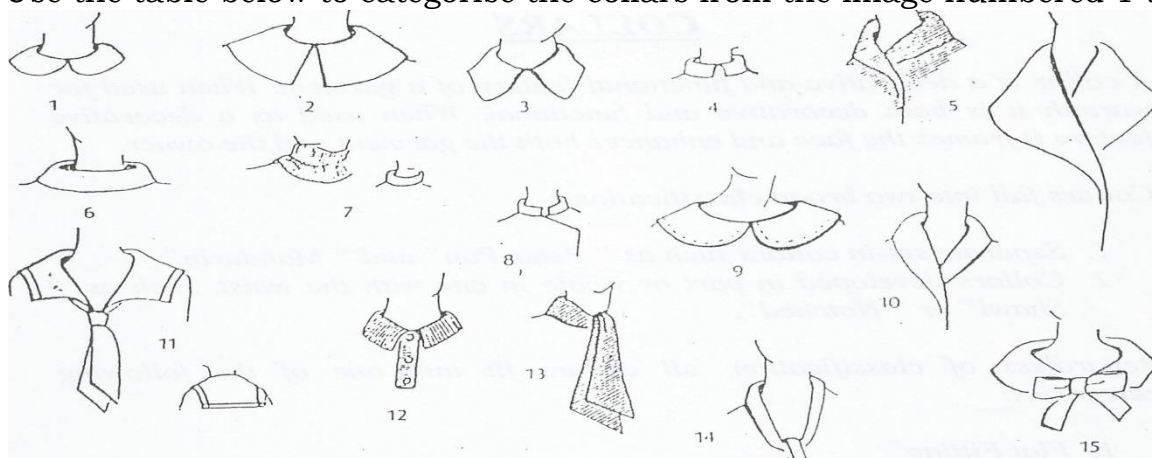
(7 marks)

4. State whether the following are **True or False**. If you select false, write the correct statement.

- i. A collar is a modern fashion trend.
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- ii. Collars can serve as functional and decorative feature on a garment
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- iii. A shawl collar is classified as a set-in collar
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- iv. The Peter Pan collar is mainly used on women's clothing
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- v. The two broad classification of collars are separate collars and set-in collars
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- vi. The sailor collar is a type of rolled collar
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(11 marks)

5. Use the table below to categorise the collars from the image numbered 1 to 15.



Collar Category	Collar Number
Flat fitting	
Rolled	
Stand - up	

(15 marks)

Total 38 marks

Answer Key

1. What is the difference between a flat collar and a rolled collar?

Flat collars lie flat at the neckline while rolled collars have a roll line that breaks the collar into stand and fall areas.

(2 marks)

2. State one similarity and one difference between a shawl collar and a shirt collar.

Similarity – both shawl and shirt are rolled collars

Difference – a shirt collar is constructed separately, then attached to the neckline, while a shawl collar is cut and developed with the garment.

(1 mark for similarity, 2 marks for difference)

(3 marks)

3. Complete the table by naming the best collar for the garment.

Garment	Collar
Priest clothing	Mandarin
Dress for a toddler	Peter Pan
Costume for a pre-schooler's carnival band	Sailor
Robe	Shawl
Blouse for a school child	Convertible
Top to be worn with a tie	Shirt
Ladies work top to be worn either closed or open at the neckline	Convertible

(1 mark for each correct response)

(7 marks)

4. State whether the following are **True or False**. If you select false, write the **correct statement**.

- i. A collar is a modern fashion trend.

False – Collars have been around for centuries

- ii. Collars are both functional and decorative features on a garment

True

- iii. A shawl collar is classified as a set-in collar

False – A shawl collar is developed with the garment

- iv. The Peter Pan collar is mainly used on women's clothing

False – The Peter Pan collar is mainly used in children's clothing

- v. The two broad classification of collars are separate collars and set-in collars

False – The two broad classification of collars are separate set-in and cut and developed with the garment.

- vi. The sailor collar is a rolled collar

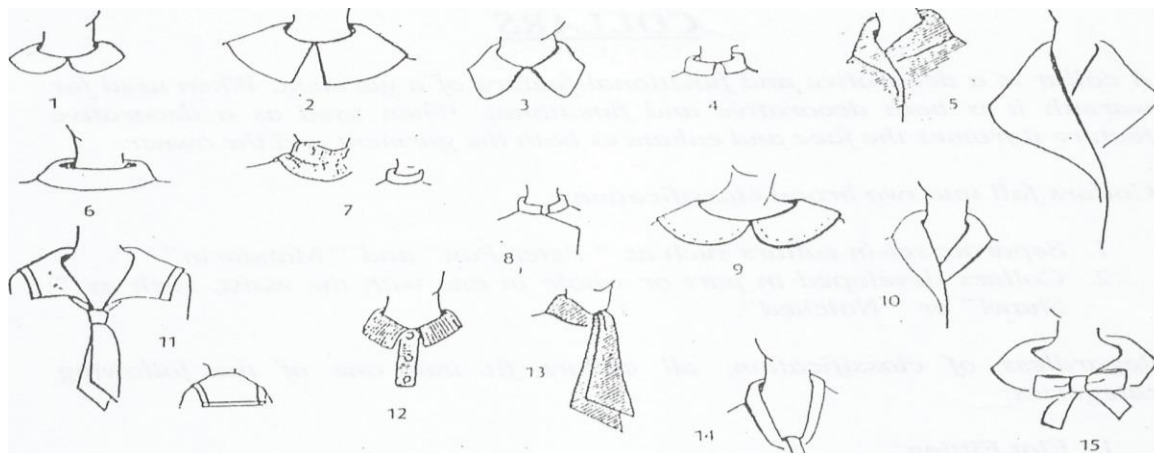
False – The sailor collar is a flat collar

(1 mark each for stating True or False)

(1 mark for each correct statement)

(11 marks)

5. Use the table below to categorise the collars from the image numbered 1 to 15.



Collar Category	Collar Number
Flat fitting	1, 2, 3, 9, 15
Rolled	4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 12
Stand - up	8, 11, 13, 14

(1 mark for each correct response = 15 marks)

Total 38 marks

36 – 38 Excellent 30 – 35 Very good 20 – 29 Good
19 and under – Review information and try again

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Peter Pan collar

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Stand collar

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Nehru collar

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Shawl collar

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Children wearing sailor costume

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Sailor collar

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Shirt

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Long sleeve

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Plaid shirts

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