



## OPINION ESSAY – MODEL

### Tasks:

- °Give your opinions and reasons concerning the topic below.
- °Replace the highlighted words with similar ones.
- °Which quotation is included in this essay?

### People spend too much time and money on fashion. Do you agree or disagree?

Every season, the great fashion houses of Europe and America present their new collections in the hope of persuading people to renew their wardrobes by purchasing the latest designs. **In my opinion**, one does not have to be slave to fashion in order to look smart.

**To start with**, following the latest trends in fashion can be extremely expensive. This is especially true for those who buy costly designer clothing. There is also the risk of getting into debt in order to keep up with the latest fashions. **In addition to this**, followers of fashion often give up their individuality for the sake of fashion. They choose clothes which suit neither their figures nor their personalities. This is unfortunate, because the way we dress should reflect who we really are.

**On the other hand**, some people argue that it is necessary to dress fashionably in order to create the correct image for their careers. This is particularly true of those who work with the public, as they reflect the image of their company. This does not mean that the latest fashions are the most appropriate, however. Simple but well-made clothes are almost always the best choice for business wear.

**To conclude**, I strongly believe that it is advisable to dress with style by choosing good quality clothes which suit you as an individual and have lasting elegance. As the famous designer Coco Chanel put it, "Fashion is made to become unfashionable." So instead of changing your wardrobe constantly, isn't it better to build up a collection of clothes which you can always wear?

