

1 Look at the article about shoes before reading it. Tick (✓) where it comes from.

- 1 a blog ☐ 2 an email ☐ 3 a teen magazine ☐ 4 an online forum ☐

2 Read the article. Are these sentences true (T) or false (F)?

- 1 Many readers buy expensive shoes. _____
 2 At Raffi's school, everyone wears the same colour trousers/skirt. _____
 3 Raffi wears the same shoes as his friends. _____
 4 Anne Belle wrote her name on her trainers. _____
 5 At Zehra's school, her classmates wear stylish shoes. _____
 6 Zehra admires her art teacher's style. _____

3 Match the highlighted words in the article to their meanings.

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| 1 protect _____ | a things that you say or write that express your opinion |
| 2 comments _____ | b a group of things or people |
| 3 collection _____ | c very important and necessary |
| 4 essential _____ | d keep someone or something safe from something dangerous or bad |

4 Complete the sentences with a word from Exercise 3.

- 1 He always wears sunglasses to _____ his eyes from the sun.
 2 Jane likes to write _____ on social media about the clothes people wear in their photos.
 3 Some people think it's _____ to look trendy all the time.
 4 I love the new fashion _____ at G&C this summer.

What do you think about SHOES?

We all wear shoes every day. They **protect** our feet from the things we do every day – walking, school activities, sports and so on. But for some people they are more than that. They follow shoe styles, and a good pair of trendy shoes or trainers will not be cheap. *Mag About You* did a survey and we discovered that many of you pay a lot of money for shoes. We think it's because they are an **essential** fashion item – specially for the youth of today! A pair of shoes can make or break your style!

Here are some of the **comments** from the survey.

I think it's a bit boring the way everyone in my school wears the same black leather shoes. There are all kinds of shoes we could wear, but we have a uniform, and most people follow the rules. There is one girl in my class who wears all kinds of different things and she's creative, but she isn't fashionable in my opinion. My friends and I try to be a bit different and wear black trainers instead. We buy them from the same shop. But we like them!

 Raffi, South Africa

I love shoes, especially trainers. They are trendy and comfortable. You can wear them with everything – trousers, skirts and so on. At school we did a project where we had to add something to a pair of white trainers. I wrote half my name on the left and the other half on the right. It was such a cool project!

 Anne Belle, New Zealand

At my school we all have to wear these silly black or brown shoes. They look quite scruffy after a few months. Nobody likes them. Anyway, the kinds of shoes we can wear at school is a big story at the moment! The school agrees now that the style of the uniform is unfashionable. Our art teacher can give the school some advice! She has a great collection of shoes, and in the summer her sandals are always so pretty. She's really well-dressed. I want to dress like her.

 Zehra, Turkey

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