

CLOTHING SKILL-A-THON STUDY GUIDE

FRUGAL FASHION

Clothing Skill-a-thon will take place as a part of the traditional clothing judging. Check the yellow guideline sheet that you received with your project book for the specific day and date. Advisors will receive a detailed schedule of more specific times for each project.

Skill areas in which youth will participate are based on information from their project book. Two other resources have been identified by the skill-a-thon committee as beneficial to **all** participants in sewing projects, regardless of their ability.

Ready, Let's Sew is the beginning 4-H clothing project. It has recently been adapted from former projects and has a great deal of valuable information included. The second recommended resource is **Let's Sew!**, a beginner's sewing guide written by Nancy Zieman in association with the National 4-H Council. It is also available at the Extension Office for \$5.00 (includes tax). You may find references to both of these resources as you use this study guide.

This guide gives information about the 4 stations that will be included in the clothing skill-a-thon.

1. Each participant should bring (or wear) the garment(s) constructed or selected for their project as well as their completed project book. Dressing rooms will be available.
2. Participants will wear their garment(s) while they have an interview with a judge.
3. There will be 3 skill areas for members to demonstrate what they have learned from the project. Some members will be interviewed first and then complete the skills, others will complete the skills first.
4. Please arrive 10 to 15 minutes prior to your scheduled judging time to register. A Polaroid picture will be taken of each member after they are dressed in their 4-H outfit. The picture will be attached to the score sheet to assist judges.
5. Ribbons will be presented as each 4-H'er completes the skill-a-thon. Awards will be announced at the 4-H style review. Vouchers will be distributed in the armory following the style review when garments are put on display.

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1. What does “overrun” mean? (Page 9)
2. Name 4 types of reduced price stores, (Page 9/10)
3. What is quality labeling? (Page 10)
4. What are irregulars and seconds? (Page 10)
5. What are 5 special clothing needs for which resale clothing is a good choice? (Page 15)
6. What are some reasons a garment might be sold at resale? (Page 15)
7. What are some resale shopping strategies? (Page 16/17)
8. How many inches of ease should you add to your own measurements to make sure a garment will fit comfortably? (Page 17)
9. What are 3 different types of sales that store have? (Page 19)
10. Be able to figure price reductions like the examples on page 24.
11. When might it not be a good investment to buy a very good quality garment? (Page 25)
12. What are some things you should check when evaluating the quality of fabric? (Page 26/27)