

Materials Designed by BRAC Institute of Languages (BIL)

A. People around the world wear clothes of different colours, styles and designs. Below is a description of some traditional clothes. First, read the descriptions and match them with the correct picture.

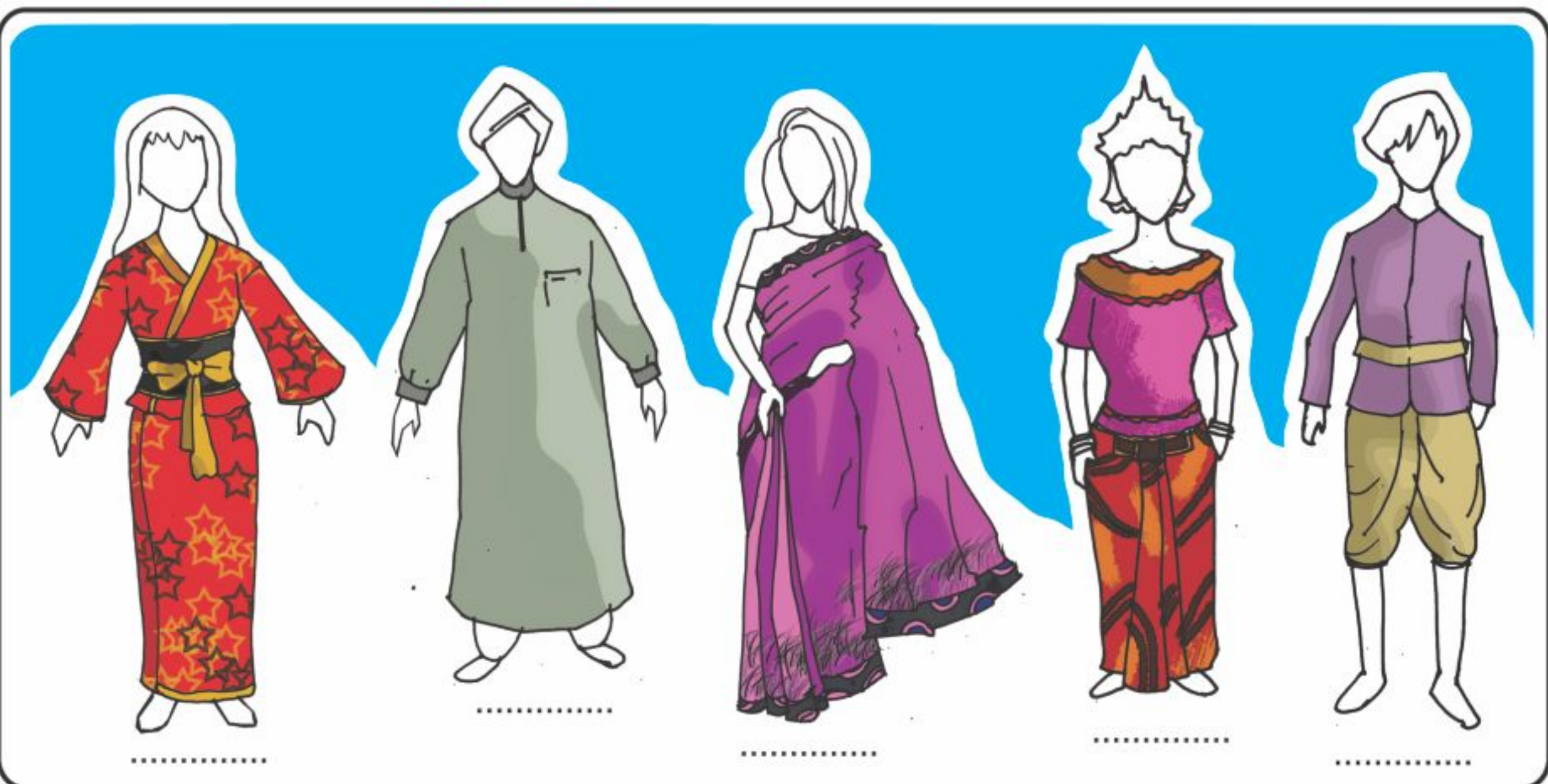
Kimono: Japanese men, women and children wear Kimonos. Kimonos are T-shaped with attached collars and long, wide sleeves. They are wrapped around the body with a wide belt.

Jubbah: A long, loose outfit with wide sleeves, worn by Arabs.

Sari: It is usually a 6 yards long, 2 yards wide, unstitched piece of cloth. It is mostly worn by Asian women.

Sampot: It is a long, rectangular cloth worn by women. This is like the dhoti and worn in Laos and Thailand.

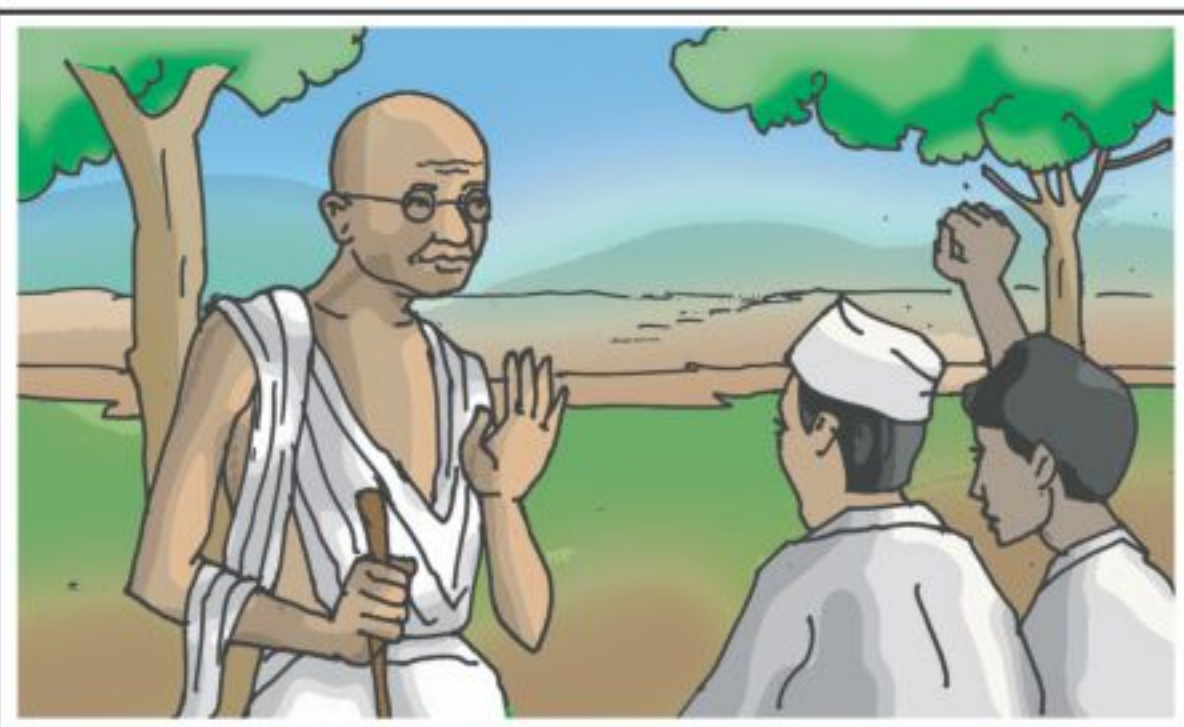
Sarong: It is a long piece of cloth wrapped around the waist, worn by men and women of South Asia, Southeast Asia and many Pacific islands. In Bangladesh people call it lungi.



How to do: Collect some pictures of clothes worn in different countries from newspapers and magazines and share them with your friends.

B. Here are some jumbled sentences about one of our historically important cloths KHADI. Can you rearrange the sentences?

1. They started wearing Khadi.
2. Comilla is famous for producing Khadi.
3. Mahatma Gandhi began promoting the production of Khadi in the 1920s.
4. At that time people burnt British-made cloth.
5. It is not just a cloth; it is the symbol of a movement.
6. In 1905, there was a great movement in India and Bangladesh against British rule.



How to do: Write a letter to your penfriend explaining the historical importance of Khadi.

Language focus: transitional words, making questions, matching, rearranging sentences

Answer Key:

A. 1. Kimono, 2. Jubbah, 3. Sari, 4. Sarong, 5. Sampot

B. 2,5,6,4,1,3

C. then, after that, next, finally.

D. Q: What do you mean by fashion?

Q: What do you consider while designing a dress?

Q: How can a person be fashionable?

Q: What should we consider in buying a dress?

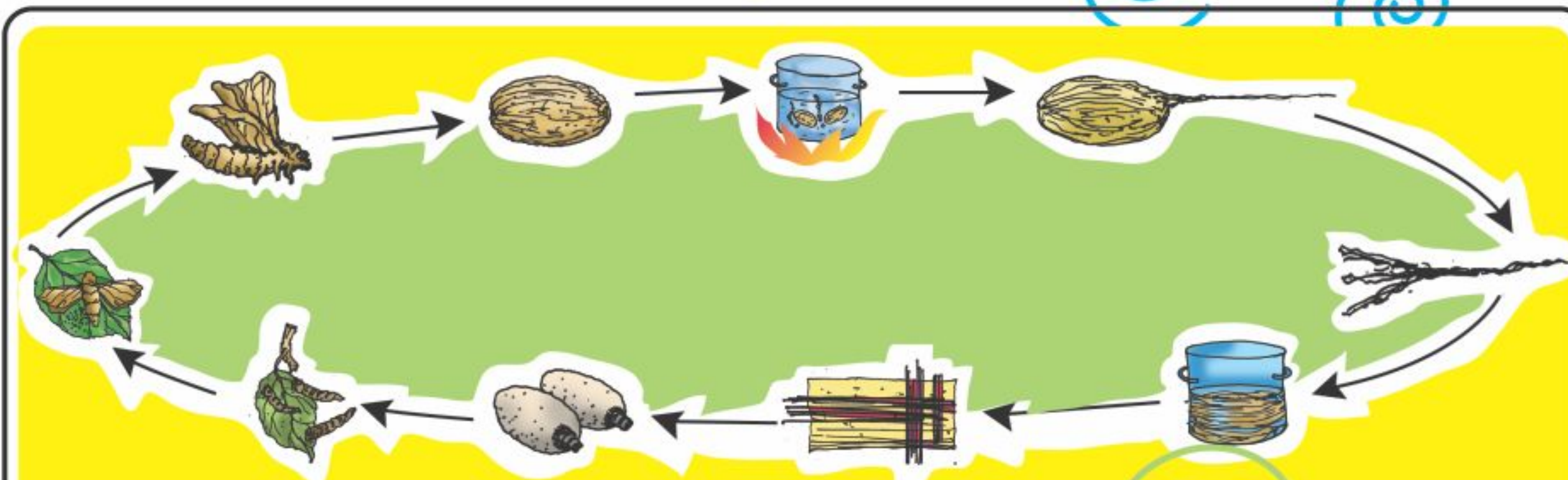
E. 1+B, 2+E, 3+D, 4+F, 5+A, 6+C



Class: VI-VIII

All about Clothes

C. Rajshahi produces the finest quality of silk. The paragraph below will tell you how silk is made from silkworm. Read the paragraph carefully and fill in the blanks with transitional words from the box. The first one is done for you.



Then, After that, Finally, Next

First, the silk farmers grow the black silk worms under controlled temperature. There the silkworms cover the cocoons (eggs) with spit. This entire process takes 72 hours. _____, the farmers collect the cocoons covered with silk thread and put them into warm water. Warm water softens the threads and makes it easier to separate the threads from cocoons. _____, the silk threads are wound (twisted) onto a reel. _____, the collected threads are woven into silk cloth by a machine named a loom. _____, the silk known as the queen of all fabrics is ready to be made into fashionable dresses.

How to do: Write a report on the silk industry of Bangladesh.

D. Following is an interview with a famous Bangladeshi designer named Rimi Rahman. Read Rimi's answers carefully and form questions.

Rimi: Fashion is a culture. It includes your dress, your hair, and your jewelleries. It also includes your behaviour.

Rimi: I consider many things, like tradition, culture, religion, weather and availability of the material.

Rimi: To be fashionable, a person does not have to wear expensive clothes. A person is fashionable when he/she wears a clean dress and behaves well.

Rimi: We should consider the budget first. Next, consider the occasion for which we are buying the dress.

How to do: Create a symbol that instructs others to wash clothes separately.

E. To keep your clothes clean, you have to take special care. First, you have to read the care label at the back collar of your dress for instructions. The instructions on the label are written in symbols. Now, look at the care label symbols and try to match the meaning.

Symbols	Meaning
1. Machine wash	A. You can wash the garment with detergent or soap using your hands.
2. Do not iron	B. You can use the washing machine to wash the garment.
3. Dry clean	C. You should not twist the garment to drain the water.
4. Iron	D. You can give the garment to the laundry for dry cleaning.
5. Hand wash	E. You should not use iron.
6. Do not wring	F. Iron the garment regularly at any temperature.

How to do: Work in groups and prepare interview questions for Bibi Russell, a renowned fashion designer of Bangladesh.



The only discipline that lasts is self-discipline.

You must lead your life in a way where you study on time, play on time, go to school on time and have your meals on time.

If you follow this practice, it will help you to be successful in life.



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