Avoiding a bad haircut

Imagine going to the parlour dreaming of a particular haircut and walking out with a nightmare — one that lasts at least a month and somehow looks more hideous with every glance in the mirror. Rather than wallowing in that horrific misery after the act, let's try and find ways to avoid or fix it.

of the trendiest parlours in Dhaka, Zuri by Karishma Rahman, says, "The longlayered bob is trending nowadays. It's not too short and it makes your hair look healthy and voluminous. We've had lots of people coming in with bad haircuts who get the long bob and it suits most faces. We have seen plenty come in with tresses in a terrible state and completely clueless. We give them the long layers and they leave the parlour quite happy. It's worked out for a lot of our clients actually."

While Karishma adores each and every hairdresser on her team, she mentions Shunika as having done a particularly fabulous job with the longlayered bob on one specific influencer and gaining herself quite a number of clients after that. So, there you have it, if all else fails, trust the good ol'bob.

Be assertive

If you are not all about the long bob however, help is still at hand and not all hope is lost. First, you must figure out what has gone wrong. your

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Once you have been to the hairdresser(s) and nothing's worked out, it's time to make the best of what you have. Try some cute hair accessories like barrettes or sleek headbands to turn the spotlight away from bangs that are too short, for instance. You can also apply some hair gel to your hair and slick them back into a ponytail. Get a few highlights, if you are into experimenting with hair colour. This will help in turning attention



chop to the new colour. For haircuts that are too short, straightening out hair can work wonders. Ironing out the waves will add instant length to the hair and the straighter the hair, the longer it looks. Finally, if all else fails, there are clip on hair extensions to the rescue to add some artificial length.

On the brighter side

Hair grows back. That's the beauty of it. Therefore, no bad haircut should make you cry for too long. Understand that once your hair has grown a little, your hairdresser may be able to work on it better and even if it takes more than one visit, it can and will be salvaged. Oftentimes, newly cut hair simply looks a little drastic because new hair cuticles have been exposed and they need time to settle. Your desired effect may show after a few shampoos and maybe that's all there is to it.

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Be vocal

Speak up! Tell your hairdresser what you think has gone wrong. Whether the steps look too choppy or the long layers too limp and barely there. Whatever the problem, your hairdresser is probably one of the best people to help you because the process is very technical. They can even out your steps, make the layers softer or blend your cut better. Alternatively, they can try to undo the damage by giving you a completely different look.

If you are looking for a fool proof haircut that can even-out the worst chop, we have an expert suggestion. Karishma Rahman, founder of one

wavy hair texture, clean hair can directly reveal the haircut mistakes. If, however, one has curly hair, they should skip this step and air dry their hair to see how it plays out naturally. If the problems are still visible, then one should get to a stylist immediately and request a fix. Unfortunately, if your problem is that the hairdresser has gone overboard with the scissors and it's too short for you, there isn't much to be done but to wait it out. And perhaps double up on the protein intake (externally and internally) while vou are waiting.

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NYC based hairstylist Dhiran Mistry says, "Unfortunate as it may be, the fact remains that bad haircuts