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This book covers both historical and contemporary concerns, including the role fashion plays in subcultures. Fashion is a phenomenon that exemplifies diversity across cultures. It is dependent on time and place and commonly defined as the prevailing style at a given moment or place. Fashion is codified and endowed with social meanings about gender, sexuality and identity. Dress frames the body. It expresses who we are and who we are not as a means of expressing identity and a way of interacting and belonging to a particular culture. Dress also plays an important part in proclaiming a person's se

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