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## **GARMENT MAKING**

#### **PREAMBLE**

The course in Garment Making at the senior secondary school level is intended to satisfy the generic desire of every woman / man to learn garment making skills. This will enable learners earn their livelihood by way of effective sewing of garments, creating jobs and be self reliant after graduation.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

The Garment Making syllabus is aimed at testing the basic knowledge and understanding of candidates in:

- a. Manipulative skills that will enable students to effectively function in their community and the larger society;
- b. Developing interest and passion for garment making / design which will lead students to start up self employed ventures;
- c. Creativity, aesthetic values, attitudes and skills development;
- d. Developing interest in locally made fabrics and self made articles;
- e. Appreciating entrepreneurship / small businesses for job / wealth creation towards improving the individual, family and the nation;
- f. Appreciating the dignity of labour;
- g. The selection, use and maintenance of sewing equipment;
- h. Selection of appropriate clothing for all occasions and figure types;
- i. Pattern making and free hand cutting.

#### **EXAMINATION SCHEME**

There will be three papers, Papers 1, 2 and 3; all of which must be taken. Papers 1 and 2 will a composite paper to be taken at one sitting.

- **PAPER 1**: This will comprise forty multiple choice questions to be answered in 40 minutes for 40 marks.
- **PAPER 2**: This will comprise five short essay questions out of which candidates will answer four within 45 minutes for 40 marks.
- PAPER 3: This will be a test of practical work. It will comprise four short structured questions. Candidates will be required to answer all the questions in 40 minutes for 40 marks.

# **DETAILED SYLLABUS**

TOPIC	CONTENTS
1. INTRODUCTION TO GARMENT MAKING	
(a) The importance of clothes/garments	<ul> <li>i. Reasons for wearing clothes/ garment</li> <li>ii. Identification of clothing items</li> <li>iii. Identification of clothes/garments for different occasions</li> </ul>
(b) The Concept of Garment Designing	<ul> <li>i. Definition of garment designing</li> <li>ii. Principles of design</li> <li>iii. Element of design</li> <li>iv. Factors that influence garment designing</li> <li>e.g. age, figure type, etc</li> </ul>
(c) Economic importance of Garment Designing	i. Importance of garment designing to the individual, the family     ii. Economic value of garment making
(d) Entrepreneurship in Garment Making	i. Entrepreneurship /small business management ii. Qualities of an entrepreneur iii. Advantages of entrepreneurship iv. Factors to be considered when going into garment making business
SEWING TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT  (a) Simple sewing tools and equipment	<ul> <li>i. Identification of various types of sewing tools and equipment</li> <li>ii. Classification of sewing tools and equipment according to functions viz:</li> <li>Measuring</li> <li>Marking</li> <li>Cutting</li> <li>Joining</li> <li>Pressing</li> <li>Fitting</li> <li>Storing</li> </ul>

		iii. Points to consider in choosing sewing tools and equipment
a.	The sewing machine	i. Types of sewing machine ii. Use of different types of sewing machines iii. Parts of a sewing machine and their functions
b.	Care of sewing tools and equipment	<ul> <li>i. Importance of care and maintenance of sewing tools and equipment</li> <li>ii. Care of simple sewing tools and equipment</li> <li>iii. Care and maintenance of a sewing machine</li> </ul>
C.	Common machine faults and remedies or solutions	i. Common machine faults /problems ii. Solutions / remedies to the machine problems iii. Improper use of machine parts
	ASIC SEWING PROCESSES	T. T. C.
a.	Basic stitches	i. Types of stitches: temporary and permanent ii. Uses of various stitches iii. Procedures for making stitches
b.	Seams and seam finishes	i. Seams ii. Types of seams and where they are used iii. Types of seam finishes
C.	<u>Disposal of fullness</u>	<ul><li>iv. Points to consider when choosing a seam</li><li>i. Methods of disposing fullness e.g. dart, pleats, gathers, etc</li><li>ii. Procedures for making darts, pleats, gather, etc.</li></ul>
d.	Facing and interfacings	i. Types of facings ii. Functions of facing iii. Types and functions of interfacings iv. Other edge finishes
e.	Facings and inter facings	i. Types of openings ii. Types of fastenings iii. Functions of openings and fastenings

# 4. THE CONCEPT OF PATTERNS

a. Patterns

- i. Pattern drafting
- ii. Advantages of the use of patterns
- iii. Tools and equipment for pattern drafting
- iv. Pattern markings and symbols
- b. Ways of obtaining patterns

Different ways of obtaining patterns e.g. draping, flat pattern method, and computer aided design, etc.

- c. The freehand method
- i. Freehand method of cutting
- ii. Techniques involved in freehand method of cutting
- d. Body measurements
- i. Importance of taking accurate body measurements
- ii. Essential body parts to be measured
- iii. Procedure for taking body measurements
- e. <u>Drafting of bodice block</u>
- i. Measurements for drafting bodice block
- ii. Drafting bodice blocks
- f. Drafting of shirt block
- i. Measurement for drafting skirt block
- ii. Drafting of skirt block
- g. <u>Drafting of basic sleeve</u> blocks
- i. Measurements for drafting the sleeve blocks
- ii. Drafting the sleeve block
- h. Drafting of basic collar
- i. Measurements for drafting the basic collars
- ii. Drafting of basic collars e.g. peter-pan/ flat collars, tie collars,
- i. Drafting basic skirt blocks
- i. Measurements for drafting skirt blocks
- ii. Drafting of skirt blocks
- iii. Adaptation of skirt patterns
- iv. Techniques of pattern adaptation viz: darts manipulation, slash and spreading methods
- v. Adaptation of skirt styles from the skirt blocks
- j. <u>Drafting of basic trouser blocks</u>
- Measurement for drafting trouser blocks
- ii. Drafting of trouser blocks
- iii. Adaptation of trouser and knicker patterns
- iv. Adaptation of different trouser styles from trouser blocks

k. Adaptation of other outfits, e.g. gowns, jumpers, e.t.c.	i. Adaptation of gowns from bodice / blouse patterns     ii. Adaptation of jumpers from the shirt / trouser block of patterns
5. FIGURE TYPES AND GARMENT	
MAKING a. Figure types	i. The three main figure types ii. Variations of the main figure types
b. <u>Fabric selections for the</u> <u>various figure types</u>	<ul> <li>i. Colour suitable for the various figure types</li> <li>ii. Texture appropriate for the various figure types</li> <li>iii. Design / pattern suitable for the various figure</li> <li>iv. Design / pattern suitable for the various figure types</li> <li>e.g. lines, prints, e.t.c.</li> </ul>
c. <u>Choice of styles</u>	<ul> <li>i. Styles suitable for various figure types e.g. figure with large burst, figures with large hips, figures with thin waist, e.t.c.</li> <li>ii. Solving figure problems using styles features</li> </ul>
6. ADAPTATION OF PATTERNS	
a. Adaptation of blouse patterns	<ul><li>i. Meaning of pattern adaptation</li><li>ii. Techniques of pattern adaptation e.g. darts manipulating, slashing, and spreading, e.t.c.</li><li>iii. Adaptation of blouse patterns using the bodice blocks</li></ul>
b. Adaptation of skirt pattern	i. Techniques of pattern adaptation (continue) ii. Adaptation of skirt styles using the skirt blocks
c. Adaptation of sleeves	Techniques of pattern adaptation with emphases on slashing and spreading method     Adaptation of sleeve styles using the basic sleeve blocks
d. Adaptation of collars i.	<ul> <li>i. Adaptation of collar styles using the basic collar blocks</li> <li>ii. Adaptation of some collars from necklines of blouse/ skirts</li> </ul>

a. Practical construction of	i. The unit method of sewing
<u>blouse / skirt</u>	ii. Application of the unit method and basic sewing processes in making blouse and skirts
b. <u>Practical construction of skirt,</u> trousers, gowns and jumpers	Revisions of the unit method of garment making business
	ii. Application of the basic garment making processes in sewing skirts, trousers, gowns and jumpers
8. <u>SETTING UP A GARMENT</u> <u>BUSINESS</u>	
a. Minimum requirements for setting up a garment making business	Basic requirement for garment making business     ii. Estimate of the cost of the minimum requirements
b. Factors that can affect small business	i. Factors that contribute to success of small businesses ii. Factors that contribute to failure of small businesses
c. <u>Financing a business</u>	i. Finance ii. Sources of finance for a small business iii. Managing finance
d. Profit / price fixing	Determination of profit margin     ii. Factors to consider in fixing a price
e. <u>Customer relationship</u>	i. Maintaining healthy customer relationship ii. Customer credit
f. Record keeping	Types of records necessary for small businesses     ii. Importance if record keeping.
g. <u>Promoting a business</u>	i. Meaning of business promotion ii. Types of promotion activities iii. Importance of business promotion

### ITEMS REQUIRED FOR EFFECTIVE TEACHING OF GARMENT MAKING

- 1. Different types of sewing machines
- 2. Large cutting table
- 3. Storage cupboard or wardrobe
- 4. Standing mirror
- 5. Dress form
- 6. Pressing Iron
- 7. Long ruler
- 8. T squire
- 9. Arm hole/neckline curves
- 10. Cutting shears
- 11. Paper scissors
- 12. Needles (hand sewing)
- 13. Machine needles
- 14. Hangers
- 15. Ironing sheets and blankets
- 16. Long mirror
- 17. Screen
- 18. Ironing boards
- 19. Tracing wheel
- 20. Pins
- 21. Pin cushions
- 22. Seam reaper
- 23. Brooms, brushes and duster
- 24. Waste paper bins
- 25. Tailor's chalk
- 26. Brown paper
- 27. Calico