

Dress



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Traditionally, everyday clothing was made out of deer skin. In the winter, animal furs were also worn to keep warm. It was common for men and women to wear body paint or tattoos, which were made using bone needles and ink made of charcoal or crushed minerals. Men who used bows and arrows would shave their heads so that the bowstring would not get caught in their hair. Necklaces and other pieces of jewelery were made out of seashells, glass, and copper. Copper was valuable and was generally only worn by people of high status. Feathers, porcupine quills, and colorful ribbons are other examples of objects that are used to decorate clothing.