

Looking Taller and Slimmer

Madelyn is selecting dresses and outfits for her wardrobe that will make her look taller and slimmer. Help her make a good choice. Rank the dresses best to worse.

You will need to look through magazines and ads to find 4 outfits for this scenario:

Option 3 was solid color dress with princess seams and buttons down the center and mid-calf or longer in length.

Option 1 was also solid in color with a hem just below the knee and an empire waist and long sleeves.

Option 2 was had an empire waist with the bodice and skirt in two different colors and a chain of flowers accented at the waistline. Length was similar to option 1.

Option 4 was a short (just above the knee) empire waist dress with a horizontal plaid skirt and a ribbon accent at the waist. The bodice was white.

Rationale: Looking Taller and Slimmer

Rank: 3 1 2 4

Cuts: 2 3 7

(Hornel scores, for online score calculations see:

<http://www.worldaccessnet.com/%7Enormans/hornel.html>)

Option 3 is the most slimming dress because of the solid color and the very strong vertical lines in the princess seams and the front button closure.

Option 1 is the next most slimming option. The solid color and the long length of the garment with the long sleeves cause the eye to move up and down. The empire waist seam does break the line but

since it is high, the eye sees more length than if the seam cut the dress in half.

Option 2 is very similar in style to option 1 but the color change and flower accents at the empire waist break the slimming line up some and would make a heavy torso look heavier at the chest.

Option 4 is the least slimming dress. The shorter length would make Madelyn look shorter. Also, the change in fabric and color would further shorten the appearance of Madelyn and the plaid would cause her to look heavier. Also, the ribbon at the empire waist would make a heavier torso appear larger.