

Contemporary Muslim Fashions

“Young Muslims are appropriating values from their religious traditions and contemporary social contexts to shape their wardrobe choices. They take inspiration from the Quran and fashion magazines, and from the mosque and the runway.” —Sariya Cheruvallil-Contractor

Look

Look at the styles and patterns of these outfits. Notice how each woman is expressing individual modest style choices with a high neckline, long sleeves, long pants, and/or a head covering.



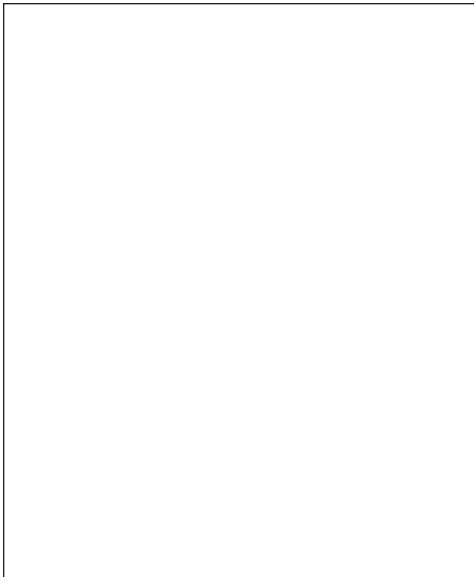
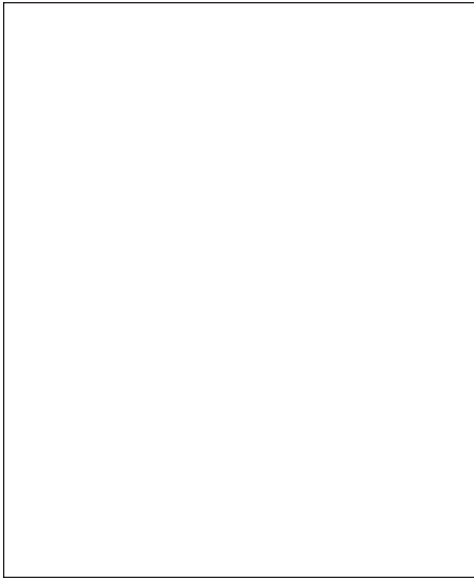
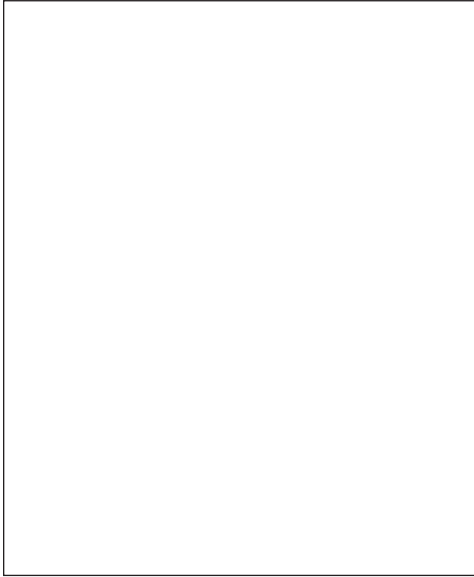
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Ask

How do you think their fashion choices might reflect where the women live?
What patterns do you see that look traditional?
What looks more contemporary?

Create

Draw patterns from pieces you have seen in the exhibition here:



Think about how your clothes show your personal style, then draw a type of clothing that you like to wear (for example, pants, a shirt, a dress, or a hat). What patterns would you add to your drawing, and why?

