



CLOTHES – Part 2:

to dress down, to take off

Part 2 conversation:

VICKI: So, Callum, you'll be getting **dressed up** later - before you go to the BBC television studios.

CALLUM: Yes ... but to tell you the truth, Vicki... I prefer working in radio.

VICKI: You prefer radio?

CALLUM: That's right. You can **dress down** in a radio studio.

VICKI: What do you mean?

CALLUM: You can **dress down**. You can wear something casual. There's no need to get **dressed up**.

VICKI: Well, I always try to make an effort to look smart, Callum!

CALLUM: Yes of course, ... you always look fantastic, Vicki. But you don't have to **dress up** for radio. The audience can't see you!

VICKI: Ah I see what you mean. In TV the audience can see you, so you have to look your best.

CALLUM: Exactly. You have to **dress up**. You put on something smart ... so you look the part.

VICKI: Yes I suppose if you're on TV, you have to look like a tv presenter should, you have to be dressed right.

CALLUM: But in radio, the listeners can't see you ... so we can **dress down** if we want to.

VICKI: Yes I suppose even I sometimes wear jeans sometimes to work.

CALLUM: Exactly. On radio, I can **take off** my tie! I can even **take off** my shoes!

VICKI: I don't think so, Callum! You don't have to wear your tie - you can **take that off** if you want to, but ... But please don't **take off** your shoes!!



Part 2 examples:

1. To dress down. In our office, we have to wear suits every day except Fridays. We call them 'dress-down Fridays' because we can wear casual clothes.
2. To take off. Before I go to bed, I always take off my make-up and my jewellery.