

# Jeans

## Gap fill

Listen to the story and fill in the blanks.

People \_\_\_\_\_ the world like jeans. They look good and \_\_\_\_\_ good.

Where did jeans come from? The history of jeans begins in the \_\_\_\_\_ .

One man from \_\_\_\_\_ owned a store in California. He sold pants to men looking for \_\_\_\_\_. At that time, lots of \_\_\_\_\_ moved to California. They \_\_\_\_\_ to find gold.

The work was \_\_\_\_\_. They broke lots of \_\_\_\_\_ and moved lots of \_\_\_\_\_. They needed \_\_\_\_\_ pants.

The man from Germany made \_\_\_\_\_ pants. People liked them because they \_\_\_\_\_ a long time and did not \_\_\_\_\_ a lot of money.

In the \_\_\_\_\_ , he made some \_\_\_\_\_. He made them from \_\_\_\_\_ denim. Later, he made them \_\_\_\_\_. He used a special pin that did not \_\_\_\_\_ .

Today, we call them Levis \_\_\_\_\_. The man from Germany was Levis Strauss.

People around the world \_\_\_\_\_ jeans in American films. In the \_\_\_\_\_ , the people in \_\_\_\_\_ films wore jeans. Lots of people \_\_\_\_\_ to know about jeans.

In the \_\_\_\_\_ , young people liked to \_\_\_\_\_ them. Older people did not \_\_\_\_\_ jeans. Some schools did not let students come in if they were \_\_\_\_\_ jeans.

Today, people of all \_\_\_\_\_ wear jeans when they \_\_\_\_\_ , study and \_\_\_\_\_. And it's all thanks to a man from Germany who made pants \_\_\_\_\_ years ago.

## Synonym match

Match the words or phrases.

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| 1. strong  | a. discover     |
| 2. special | b. long-lasting |
| 3. broke   | c. adjustments  |
| 4. find    | d. unique       |
| 5. changes | e. crushed      |

## True or false

Choose the correct answer.

1. Blue jeans were invented in Germany. T or F
2. Jeans were popular with miners. T or F
3. Cowboy movies made jeans popular in America. T or F
4. In the 1950s, some students could not wear jeans to school. T or F
5. Levis invented denim jeans. T or F

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## Anagrams

Move letters. Make a new word.

TANPS \_\_\_\_\_

ANSHTK \_\_\_\_\_

ESEUACB \_\_\_\_\_

OCWYBO \_\_\_\_\_

ESTALD \_\_\_\_\_

TSSNDTEU \_\_\_\_\_

## ESL discussion questions

Talk about the story

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1. Do you have a favorite kind of blue jeans?
  2. Summarize evolution of blue jeans.
  3. What are the pros and cons of jeans?
  4. Retell the story of jeans from the perspective of a high school principal in the 1950s.
  5. Compare and contrast the two types of pants.
  6. How did Levis' invention change fashion?
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## Writing practice

Put the words in the correct order.

1. He / for / pants / gold / men / looking / to / sold

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2. long / did / and / lot / People / liked / lasted / a / of / not / them / they / a / time / because / cost / money

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3. Older / people / not / like / did / jeans

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4. lots / rocks / of / moved / and / of / broke / They / lots / water

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5. not / in / schools / come / were / wearing / let / jeans / students / if / did / Some / they

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