

Traditional Dress



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Did You Know

What was the old dress of women and men on special occasions?

In the past, women wore “**Thobe Al Nashel**” dress as it is one of the glamorous women’s dresses to show off its beautiful designs in different occasions such as feasts and weddings. It is usually made of plain silk fabrics and the is usually embroidered with various metallic gold or silver threads.



In the past, men wore the “**Bisht**” and considered as a cape worn over the mens thobe, and it was and still is a symbol of a high prestigious level in the society. Bisht fabric is made from camel’s hair and goat wool, and Basht sewing comes after the process of spinning the wool with cotton threads according to the color of the Bisht, and then it is embroidered with golden or silver metallic threads.



Learn about Thread Types

Since ancient time, humans discovered how to make cloths from different threads made from what is available in nature. Do you know the types of threads and from what they are made of? Connect the thread type to the correct picture.

Cotton thread



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Metallic thread



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Wool thread



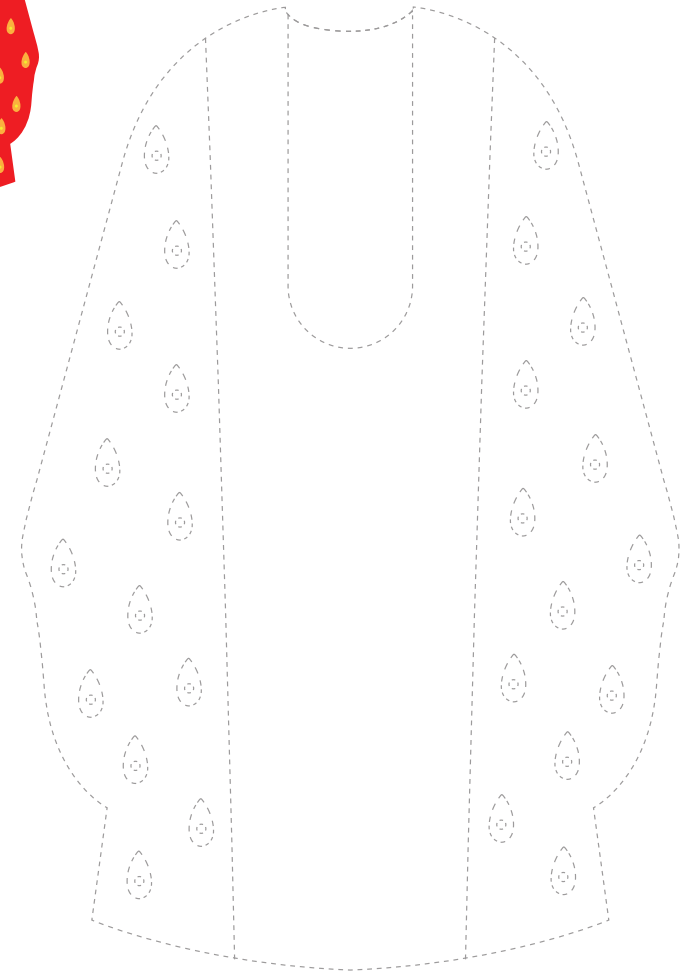
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Silk thread



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Complete the Drawing & Color of the Nashel Dress



Fill the Gap

Put the correct dress name in every sentence

Al Wozar Al Erda Al Korar Al Naqda Al Bisht Al Nashel

1- In the past women used to wear dresses that were embroidered with metallic wicker it's called _____.

2- It is handmade embroidery which is made by a team of women to create the _____ dress.

3- It's a handmade gown using metallic threads embroidery the gown comes in so many colors and women wore it in feasts and celebrations it's called _____.

4- The prestigious men in the society wore a type of cape over the thobe which is handmade embroidery with metallic threads, also the fabric is handmade from wool threads it's called _____.

5- _____ It is a local made fabric, it's a piece of cloth men wraps it around their waist and it was worn by sailors, farmers and different jobs.

6- _____ It's a type of a sheet with square shapes and the textile colors resembles the peacock's tail. And in the olden days people used to gift the brides these sheets to be used as bed sheets or head covers.

Tick True or False

1- Women at home wear Al wozar .

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2- The Naqda is embryoid with a metallic wicker using a specific needle.

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3- In the past women wore a traditional embryoid Serwal.

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4- Hair scarfs were worn by men under the Egal.

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5- Al korar dresses were not hand embryoid but with a specified machine.

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