# Writing a Script

The evening public revue allows the 4-H'er to present his/her project to an audience. A short narration introduces the 4-H'er to the audience, describes special features of the garment, and highlights any interesting information about the project. The following are guidelines to help 4-H'ers write descriptions of their garments for the evening revue.

### Keep the narration to under 100 words.

The objectives of the script are:

- To introduce the member and his/her project
- To focus on skills learned in the project
- To express challenges, fashion trends and cost savings
- To interest the audience in 4-H activities
- To create an appealing mental picture with descriptive words

## Before you begin:

- 1. Analyze the garment. What is special about it? Be sure to include color descriptions!
- 2. List major features you want to describe.
- 3. Describe the garment by starting with the obvious, then call the audience's attention to details such as accessories that relate directly to the garment.
- 4. Use alliteration (words that begin with the same sound, such as "flirty flounce" for a ruffle).
- 5. Use action words, such as "a belt circles the waistline" or "a flaring hem swings".
- 6. Tell the biggest problem or challenge you had sewing the outfit. Saying you put in the sleeve six times can encourage younger 4-H'ers to keep trying.
- 7. If there are two parts of your outfit, mention the outer layer first.
- 8. Edit. Keep sentences short and avoid tongue twisters. Make it as bright, crisp and informative as possible.
- 9. Read your script aloud. Practice modeling with the narration.
- 10. Submit your script via a Google Doc by noon Tuesday, July 17. A link to the Google Doc was emailed to you on July 11<sup>th</sup>. It can also be found on our website <u>www.ksu.edu</u> under Hot Topics on the home page.

#### Example #1 of a Script:

Gleaming in her sequined skirt, Kathleen Mitchell is modeling a stylish denim look. It has a light and airy feeling, with a slit in the back. Her biggest challenge was matching the sequins as she cut the fabric. This 11-year old home schooler loves Irish Dancing and sketching her creative fashion ideas. Kathleen is in her second year of sewing with the Pleasantville 4-H Club. She is enjoying every minute of it!

#### Example #2 of a Script:

Whether it's back to school or off to the mall, Sarah Wilson is sure to be in style in these grey Bermuda shorts and blue scoop-necked tee. The grey and black print sweater adds versatility and will allow Sarah to enjoy this look all year-round. Sarah will be a 6th grader at Sunflower Grade School this fall. Science and lunch are her favorite subjects! Great job Sarah!

#### Helpful Words for Writing a Script

accent	accessorize	rare	elegant
design	unique	closure	special
festive	one of a kind	appeal	shimmering
coordinate	gleaming	flatter	adds to
embellish	outfit	enhance	stylish
compliment	modeling	fashionable	trendy
challenge	stitch	modern	create
sparkly	highlight	casual	chic
classic	retro	unusual	decorate