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**Look who is  
wearing the pants!**

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Ready Intermediate lesson

# Which of the following is traditional in India?

- 1) women wearing jeans
- 2) greeting with hands together
- 3) women joining the police force
- 4) women wearing loose clothes
- 5) vegetarian food
- 6) arranged marriages
- 7) thinking the cow is holy

**Who do you think they are,  
where and why?**



**Which of these expressions is  
British English and which is  
North American English?**

a) pants

b) trousers

c) mobile phone

d) cell phone



**Now read the text quickly and answer the questions:**

- 1) Who are they?
- 2) Which country are they in?
- 3) Why are they there?

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# **Read again and decide if the sentences are true or false:**

- 1) Anwara and Saheli are friends.
- 2) Anwara's parents are happy for her to wear jeans.
- 3) Anwara's parents are happy for her to wear a police uniform.
- 4) Anwara and Saheli want to join the police force.
- 5) Anwara and Saheli want to be different from traditional Indian girls.
- 6) Uniforms in India are usually seen as negative.
- 7) The reporter thinks Anwara and Saheli are strong.

# Lists

Make a list of five things which people think are traditional in your country.

Make another list of five things which people think are not traditional in your country.

# Sharing Lists

Now tell as many people as possible about your two lists.



**Now read the original article:**

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