Problem scenario – girls

Appearance

Kelly is really jealous of her friends who all seem to have loads of money to buy the newest and most fashionable clothes. She would like to wear designer stuff like they all do but there is just no way that her mum could afford it. There isn’t enough money coming into the house and her mum says it’s all a lot of rubbish anyway that people should pay so much money for clothes that will be out of fashion in a few months. She thinks that buying cheaper clothes makes more sense and can’t understand why Kelly feels so embarrassed. She thinks Kelly looks nice whatever she wears.

Questions

› Why is Kelly so jealous?

› Is she right to feel like this?

› How would you feel in Kelly’s shoes?

› Does her mum have a point?

› Is there a possible compromise here?

› Where does the pressure come from to wear designer clothes?

› Do you think her mum helps to promote Kelly’s self-esteem?

› What advice would you give to Kelly if you were her friend?