

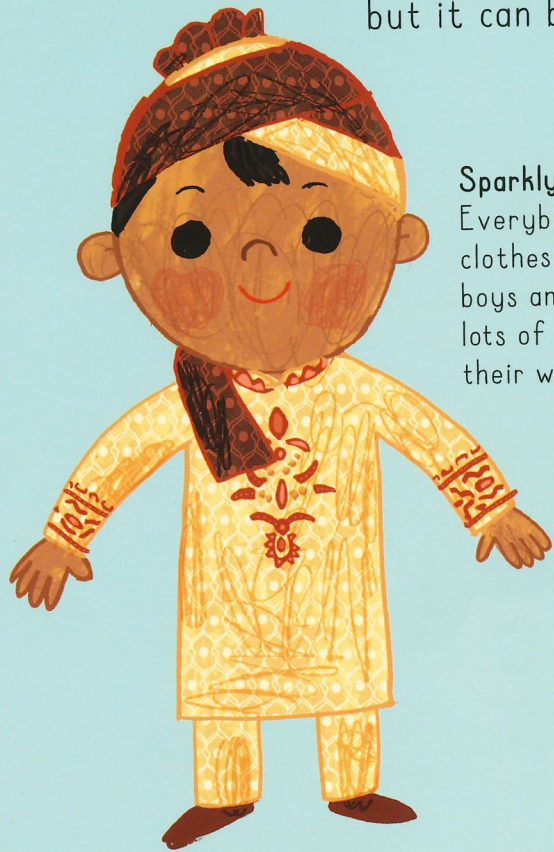
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Clothes for special occasions

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Sparkly outfits

Everybody wears their best clothes to a wedding. In India, boys and girls usually have lots of sparkly embroidery on their wedding clothes.



Smart clothes

In West African countries, boys wear a *boubou* (boo-boo), a smart flowing robe, for special occasions. Girls wear their prettiest wraparound skirt, called a *pagne* (pan-ya).



Magical clothes

Many countries have a national costume which people wear on special celebration days. In Belarus, the national costume has a lot of red and black embroidery. The embroidered patterns were once thought to have magic powers that protected the wearer from harm.



Clothes for New Year

Mongolian people celebrate their New Year in February. Everybody wears their best *deel*, which is a wraparound top with a sash. The smartest deels are made of embroidered silk.



Clothes for dancing

Clothes for Irish dancing are embroidered with swirling patterns that copy the decoration found in old Irish books. The girls wear decorated dresses and the boys wear embroidered waistcoats.



Clothes for keeping warm

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Clothes made from plants

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Clothes for outdoors

The people of the Kashmir region in Southeast Asia wear an outdoor robe called a *pheran* (fer-an). In winter, they keep warm with a woolly pheran. On special occasions they wear smart embroidered pherans.

Do you have any clothes you like to wear for special occasions?



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