

PUTTING ON A SHOW

Lots of boutiques host in-store events to show off their fabulous fashions. In *Fancy Nancy and the Fabulous Fashion Boutique*, Nancy puts on a fashion show at her sister's birthday party. Here's how to create a fashion show of your very own—all you'll need are plenty of dress-up clothes and a bunch of bananas!

-  Practice makes perfect: Practice walking straight and tall, just like a model. Here's a good way to start: Place a banana on top of your head and walk slowly around the room without making it fall off. Once you've mastered (that's fancy for gotten good at) the banana, try doing the same thing with a book balanced on your head.
-  Dress up, up, up: Get out all the goodies—the boas and the bangles and the tiaras—and get yourself and your fellow models all dolled up.
-  If you don't have lots of dress-up possibilities, you can always make a newspaper fashion show. All you need are piles of old newspapers, scissors, and masking tape. You can fold sheets of paper into skirts and hats, tape them together for capes and wraps, or roll them into tubes for belts and bracelets. You can even work in teams for extra fun. Be sure to ask an adult for assistance when using scissors.
-  Each model gets her turn on the catwalk (that's what fashionistas call the runway where the models show off the clothes). If you like, you can give little gifts to each model for having the silliest, fanciest, most creative, or most fashionable outfit.
-  Use your words: At a real fashion show, someone describes each ensemble (that's fancy—and French—for outfit) as the model walks the runway. Take turns describing one another's outfits to all the people attending your show. Use lots of words for really, really good, like “beautiful,” “exquisite,” “fabulous,” “fantastic,” “stunning,” “striking,” and “très, très chic.”
-  Ask someone to take pictures as the models pose, and then put together a “look book” (or portfolio) of your products. That way you'll have a record of your inventory and pretty pics of your event!



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