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Shows like 'Project Runway' reflect a renewed interest in the fiber arts among the general population. Mathematics courses can capitalize on this interest through open-ended tasks that relate key problems in fashion design to key mathematical concepts. We will describe one such assignment, which incorporates a broad range of mathematical concepts from approximations and non-standard measurement to symmetry and tessellations. (Received September 07, 2008)