

## FIRST TERM

SUBJECT: HOME ECONOMICS

CLASS: JSS 3

# WEEK 1

## INTRODUCTION TO TEXTILES STUDY

### What is the study of textiles?

The study of textiles involves an understanding of the origin of fibres to the ways of constructing fibres into fabrics, properties of the fabrics, ways of caring for the fabrics and the uses of the fabrics.

## REASONS FOR THE STUDY OF TEXTILES

*The study of textiles will help you in the following ways:*

- Identifying different types of fabrics and their characteristics or properties.
- Selecting or choosing the suitable fabric for a given purpose.
- Taking proper care of the fabric
- Handling the fabric correctly
- Making you a wise consumer
- You can develop interest in clothing and textiles careers.
- Using fabrics intelligently

## GENERAL USES OF TEXTILES

*Textiles are used for:*

- Construction of personal and family clothes e.g dresses, underwear
- Construction of household linen, such as bed sheets, curtains, towels
- Keeping the body warm or cool e.g sweaters and cotton wears
- Protecting the body from rain or wind e.g rain coats
- Beautifying or adorning the body

Covering our nakedness (modesty)

## **BASIC TEXTILE TERMS**

- **Fibre** is a hair-like basic unit of raw material used in the making of yarns and fabrics e.g. cotton, linen, silk, wool, nylon fibres.

- **Yarn** is a thread made by twisting or spinning fibres.
- **Fabric** is cloth constructed with yarn or directly from...