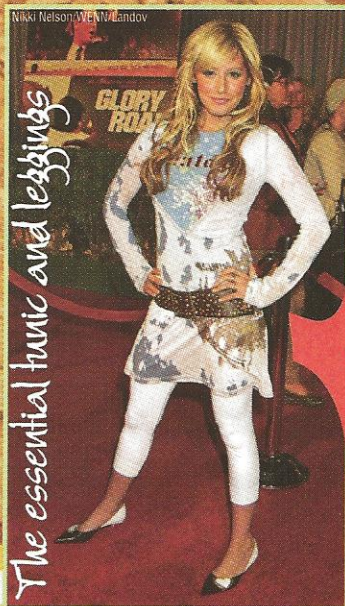
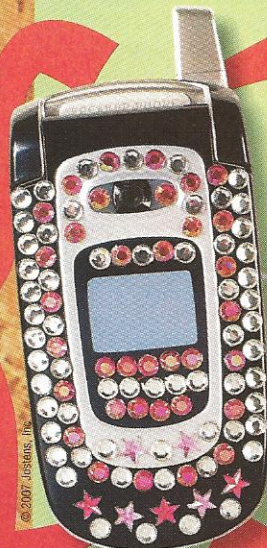
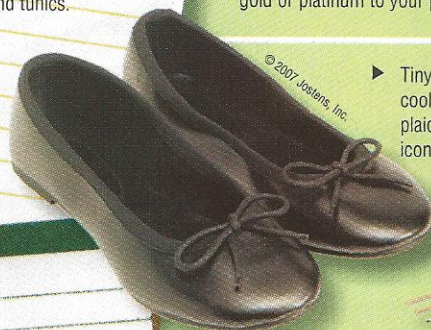


# {Trends}



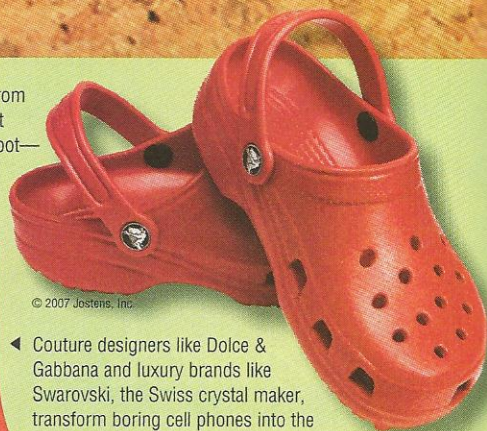
▶ Mid-calf and ankle-length leggings, last seen in the trendy 1980s, return to the spotlight. Fashion-conscious girls wear them under minis, dresses and tunics.

▶ Pointy toes and high heels are out. The feminine, flirty ballerina flat goes with everything from short skirts to long leggings and super-skinny jeans.

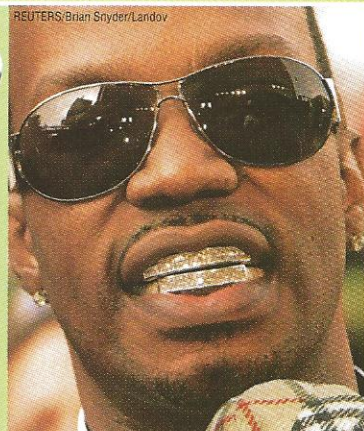


Bling bling

▶ Colorful comfortable crocs—made from a buoyant, lightweight, odor-resistant material that molds to the wearer's foot—are the shoe of the year.



◀ Couture designers like Dolce & Gabbana and luxury brands like Swarovski, the Swiss crystal maker, transform boring cell phones into the year's must-have bling.



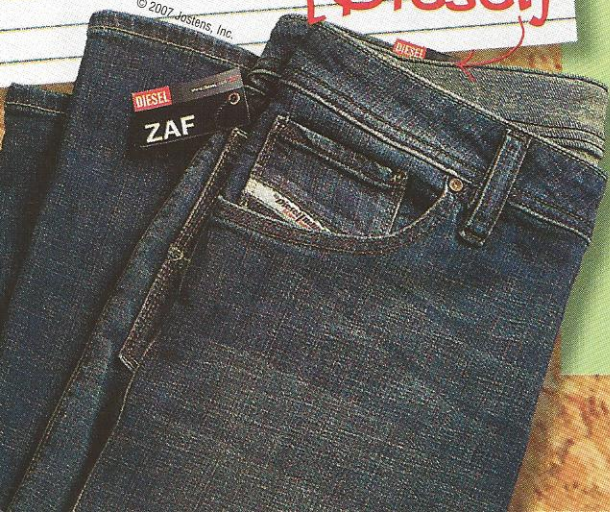
▶ Rapper fashion comes to the suburbs as snap-on grills add a flash of diamonds and gold or platinum to your pearly whites.

▶ Tiny plaid mini skirts look private-school cool. Meanwhile, Marc Jacobs is sending plaid tops down the runway and fashion icons sport Burberry plaids.



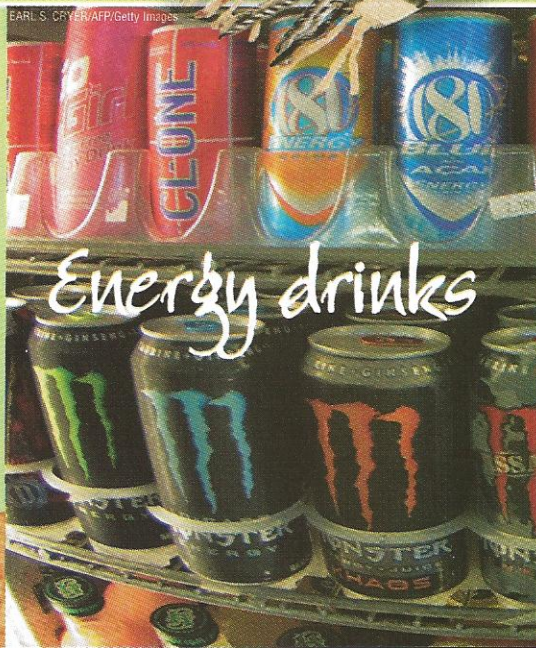
Favorite brands:

# {Diesel}



▶ Nearly 31 percent of teens, or 7.6 million, are consuming energy drinks that contain up to four times the amount of caffeine than is in a can of Coke.

◀ The year's to-die-for, must-have-at-any-price jeans are dark, slim, distressed denims from Diesel, the Italian label that inspires a cult-like devotion among its customers.



# Energy drinks