

Clara's 1919 School Dress

Clara's school dress is from 1919, about a year after the end of World War I. The war had a huge influence on fashion, as the flowing and frivolous styles of the early 1910s gave way to more practical fashions during the war. Clothing became more structured, borrowing details from military uniforms. Hemlines gradually became shorter as material was rationed. This dress reflects military styling with the cuffed sleeves, yoke details, and the box pleats on the skirt. Patch pockets add a practical, cute detail to the dress.

Clara's shoes are simple slip on shoes with low heels and a little ribbon bow.

And finally, Clara has a soft felt cloche hat with a wide ribbon woven into the brim.

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