CultureTalk Tanzania Video Transcripts: http://langmedia.fivecolleges.edu The Masai People

Swahili transcript:

Kama nilivyosema kwamba kabila la wamasai wao wana taratibu zao na hasa katika suala zima la mavazi,kama vile ambavyo mtaweza kuona hii picha iliyopo katika hii nguo, huyu ni mwanamke wa kimasai,na mnaona jinsi alivyovaa, na huu ndio urembo ambao wanavaa. Kwa hiyo wako tofauti ona jinsi wanavyopendeza, kwa hiyo ni kivutio kikubwa na ndio maana hata picha zao pia huwa zinachorwa katika hizi blauzi na watalii wengi wanapotembelea Tanzania wanapenda kununua nguo hizi ambazo zina picha pia za wamasai.

English translation:

As I said earlier, the Masai tribe has its own tradition, especially in fashion, as you can see by this picture on my t-shirt. This is a Masai woman, and you can see the way she has dressed herself. These are the decorations they wear. So they look different. See how good they look. Masai people are very attractive, especially to tourists. That is why you find their pictures on these shirts. When tourists come to visit Tanzania, they like to buy clothes which have pictures of the Masai on them.

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