





Nautically inspired but just as happy on land, lycra and cotton knit short skirt, \$90; cropped top, \$84. Diane M, Birmingham.

## The Play Set

Tan that navel. The season's hot-test tops are loose and cropped above bared brown belles. Cotton is king of sunshine seasons. It reigns in ribbed and pleated gaze, snappy poplin and cloud-like organ-dy. Pique is popular, crisp and waf-fle-textured in sleeveless sheaths or

low-hip peplum dresses.
Playwear must-haves include bi-cycle-style shorts and a bare bra top or sleeveless crop top and a pair of dyed-to-match shoes to go with day-wear fashions and skirt or pants that shows the navel, fashion's new cro-genous zone.



Raiph Lauren's pink cotton shorts for her are topped with a striped pullover. \$58; a white cardigan, \$89; and a pink sweater, \$106. All cotton. Polo for him features blue and white striped short, \$63; a blue and white striped shirt, \$65: over a navy blue shirt, \$45; all topped with a Polo jacket, \$145. Hudson's



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Leon Max shepes cotton knit into high weisted, pleated pante, \$72; matching short cartigan, \$85; striped tank, \$38. Crewtey's. His lined V-nock patterned cardigan by Torras is \$500; short-sleeve linen shirt, \$105; pleated plaid trouser by Rodin, \$180. The Broadway, Birmingham.