

FAST FASHION AND REAL CHOICES

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READING TEXT

Low prices make it easy to buy new clothes often, but the real cost may be hidden. Producing fabric requires water and energy, and workers may receive very low wages. Some teenagers now buy second-hand clothes, repair damaged items or swap clothes with friends. These choices do not solve every problem, yet they reduce waste. The most useful first step is often to ask whether a new item is really needed.

VOCABULARY STRATEGY

Do not translate every word. First read for the main idea. Then use the sentence around an unknown word to guess its meaning.

FIRST READING - note the key information

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TASKS

1. Who is the text mainly about?

2. Where does the main action happen?

3. Write down two important details from the text.

4. What problem, change or decision is described?

5. Find one word or phrase that shows an opinion, feeling or result.

6. Summarise the text in two or three English sentences.

7. What can the reader learn from the text? Give a reason.

SUGGESTED ANSWERS - wording may differ

1. Consumers, workers and the environment.
2. In the clothing industry and everyday shopping.
3. Clothes use water and energy; alternatives include repair and second-hand buying.
4. Low prices can hide environmental and social costs.
5. Accept an exact phrase from the text that fits the question.
6. Sample: The text focuses on Consumers, workers and the environment. It explains that low prices can hide environmental and social costs.
7. Open answer: accept a suitable title or a justified lesson.