

Adjectives: opposites

- 1- Speaking. Describe the photo.



What can you see? Where are the people? What are they doing?

Use the words below to help you.

VERBS: Make sew sit work

NOUNS: Clothes desk factory sewing machine trousers woman worker

- 2- Read and listen to teenagers talking about buying clothes. Which person... (2.11)
- a hasn't got enough money to buy designer labels?
 - b is wearing something that doesn't cost very much?
 - c always wants to know where clothes come from before she buys them?
 - d makes clothes?

'It's **good** that we can buy **cheap** clothes. I never spend more than £10 on a shirt or trousers, but my clothes are comfortable and I love them. This T-shirt is made in Bangladesh. The workers in the factories there don't get much money. People say that's unfair, but I don't agree. The fashion companies are giving them jobs!'

Ryan

'The **large** fashion companies don't care about the workers in their factories. The pay is very **low** and the jobs are often **dangerous**. It's **terrible**! We should pay more for clothes. I always look at the label, and I never buy cheap clothes that are made in poor countries.'

Molly

'I haven't got much money and I don't buy designer labels. But I want **similar** styles. So, I look for cheap copies. It's **true** that the workers who make the clothes don't get much money, but the cost of living is low in poor countries, so I think it's probably OK.'

Megan

'I think clothes are too cheap. People just wear them a few times and then throw them away! That's **wrong**. I'm studying Textile Design at school and I hardly ever buy clothes. I usually make them. It isn't very **difficult** and my clothes always fit and look **great**! I never throw my **old** clothes away. I give them to charity.'

Jed

- 3- Vocabulary. Match the highlighted adjectives in the text with the adjectives below that have the opposite meaning.

Common adjectives awful bad different easy
expensive false fantastic high new right
safe small

Awful:	_____	Fantastic:	_____
Bad:	_____	High:	_____
Different:	_____	New:	_____
Easy:	_____	Right:	_____
Expensive:	_____	Safe:	_____
False:	_____	Small:	_____

- 4- Read the LEARN THIS! Box. In Ryan's paragraph find:

LEARN THIS! Negative prefix un-



We can make many adjectives negative by adding the prefix *un-*.

*friendly – unfriendly kind – unkind happy – unhappy
tidy – untidy usual – unusual necessary – unnecessary*

- An adjective with the prefix **un-**.
 - An adjective that can be made negative with the prefix **un-**
- 5- Rewrite the sentences so that they have the opposite meaning. Use the opposite of the underline adjective.
- These jeans were very expensive.
 - That yellow shirt looks terrible!
 - My bedroom is always very tidy.
 - It is dangerous to swim in that river.
 - Jason is feeling happy today.
 - My mum works in a small clothes shop.
- 6- Complete the sentences with adjectives from exercises 2 and 3 and the LEARN THIS! Box.
- That girl is called Saffron. You don't hear that name very often. It's quite _____.
 - The temperature is very _____ – only one degree Celsius.
 - This question is very _____. I can't answer it!
 - You need to get some nice, _____ clothes. All of your T-shirts and jeans have holes in them.
 - That answer is _____. Try again!
 - Leah and Emma's clothes are _____. They're both wearing white tops and brown trousers.
- 7- Speaking. Say if you agree or disagree with these statements
- Clothes should be more expensive.
 - Fashion companies should pay factory workers more money.
 - People throw away too many clothes.
 - We should make our own clothes.
 - Fashion companies don't care about the workers in their factories.