Name : …….. Class: ……

Clothes: Fashion v. Ethics

Five young people talk about the type of clothes they buy and why.

A I like buying the new fashions when they come out. I spend all my money on new clothes every month. I usually buy online because you can get all the different designer clothes there. If I don't like the clothes when I get them, I can send them

B I'm interested in clothes, but I like to buy the cheapest clothes I can find. I always look in charity shops because you can sometimes buy designer clothes at very cheap prices. It means you can't have the clothes immediately, but I love getting a bargain.

C I love clothes and always want the latest fashions. However, new fashionable clothes are beyond my budget, so I design and make most of my clothes instead. It means I can have very fashionable clothes at very low prices.

D I find fashion boring and like to wear clothes that are useful and comfortable. I do a lot of sports, so I usually wear T-shirts and sweatshirts, with jeans and trainers. If I find something I like, I buy two or three of them because I hate shopping.

E I like unusual clothes made from natural or recycled fabrics. There are some good Fairtrade shops in my city, so I know that the people who made them have been paid a reasonable wage. I know that people like to buy cheap clothes, but we have to think of the child labour that allows this.

Which person (A–E):

0 produces their own clothes? [redacted]

1 isn't very interested in clothes? [ ]

2 doesn't like spending a lot on clothes? [ ]

3 doesn't think it's a good idea to always buy the cheapest clothes? [ ]

4 spends a lot of money on clothes? [ ]

5 loves to have the latest fashions? [ ] and [ ]

6 likes to buy clothes made out of specific materials? [ ]

7 cannot afford the latest fashions? [ ]

8 buys second-hand clothes? [ ]

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