

# CONSUMERISM

Fill in the gaps with a suitable word

**secondly, first of all, to, in my opinion, because of this, to sum up, also, therefore, I, believe, however**

*Consumerism has become part of our lives. We come across advertisements and products to convince us to buy them, no matter how unnecessary they may be.*

\_\_\_\_\_, consumerism has its benefits, such as economic growth, but it can \_\_\_\_ have a detrimental effect on our environment. \_\_\_\_\_, the most harmful effect of consumerism is the waste it produces. Every time we buy something, the packaging ends up in landfills or even worse, in our oceans. This contributes to global warming and climate change, which is why it is essential to find more sustainable ways to shop.

\_\_\_\_, consumerism harms our environment by collecting natural resources. \_\_\_\_\_, many of the materials used to make products lead to deforestation and destruction of habitats. \_\_\_\_\_, if we don't reduce our consumption, these resources will run out and leave us with nothing.

\_\_\_\_, if we buy products that are made from recycled or renewable materials, we can help to ensure that our purchases are not contributing to the destruction of the planet. \_\_\_\_ also \_\_\_\_ that buying second-hand clothes is another great way to reduce our environmental footprint.

\_\_\_\_\_, consumerism can bring us closer to achieving a sustainable future, but only if we make the necessary changes. By taking notice of our own consumption habits and making an effort to reduce our environmental impact, we can help to protect our planet for future generations.