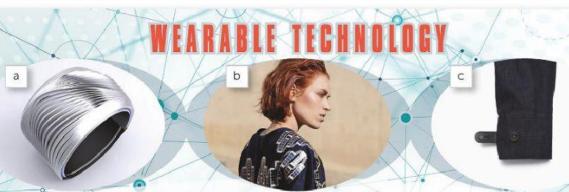
UNIT 11 A

READING AND GRAMMAR

4 Look at pictures a-c. What do they show? Read the text and match them with descriptions 1-3.



Our houses are full of technology, but how much do we have in our closets? You might think you don't have any, but get ready for that to change. Experts predict that the amount of money we spend on wearable technology will reach \$74 billion a year by 2025. You're probably already familiar with smart watches and fitness bracelets, but what are some of the other things coming our way?

1 MATERIAL THAT CAN COMMUNICATE

In the U.S., Google and Levi's® are developing a new kind of material that is touch sensitive, like the screen on a smartphone. The material is made by running thin metal wires through cotton, denim, or silk. Designers can then use this material to create interactive areas on clothes and furniture. Soon people will be able to control machines just by touching their pants legs!

2 ACCESSORIES THAT CONTROL YOUR TEMPERATURE

the people are complaining about the cold, and the other half are too hot? The solution is Wristify, a bracelet that can heat or cool your skin at the touch of a button. It's perfect for a trip to the gym, a day at the beach, or for keeping you warm at home. In fact, the bracelet could also save you money on energy bills. The design isn't finished yet, but here's what the final product might look like.

Have you ever been in a place where half

3 CLOTHES THAT CHARGE YOUR PHONE

Pauline van Dongen is an exciting new designer who specializes in wearable technology, and uses both traditional and new materials to create amazing clothes. Her stylish T-shirts and jackets have solar panels that can charge a cell phone in just a few hours ... when the sun is shining, of course.

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Μā	atch sente	ences 1–8 in ex	ercise 6 with rules a—h. Then r	ead the Grammar box.	
a	We use alan to talk about a person or thing for the first time.				
	We use the when we have already mentioned the person or thing before.				
We don't use an article to talk about things in general (plural or uncountable nouns).					
	d We use a/an to talk about a person's job.				
	We use alan in some measurement expressions.				
	f We use the if there is only one of the thing.				
-	We use the with specific places in a town. We don't use an article with some places we go to regularly.				
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I live in a tall apartment building.			I live in a modern apartment. The apartment is in They're interested in sports cars.		
Eric is an architect.			The address is on the Internet.	I leave for work at about 9:00 a.m.	
We go sailing twice a month.			I'll meet you in the park.	We go on vacation every summer.	