

READING UNIT 7

THE ORIGINS OF STREET FASHION

Everyone likes trainers, backpacks and hoodies, but they weren't always fashionable.....

A

The first hoodies were popular with outdoor workers in the USA in the 1920s because they were cheap and warm. In the 1980s, New York graffiti artists started to wear them. Today, hoodies are fashionable all over the world.

B

Before the 1970s, people didn't wear trainers as normal shoes. They were just for sport. Then, European football fans started to wear them. By the 1980s, trainers were popular everywhere.

C

Backpacks come from Scandinavia. Originally, they were adventure equipment. They weren't fashion items before the 1990s. Now, we all use backpacks.

1.- Read the text. Match photos 1-3 to paragraphs A-C



A



B



C

2.- Read the test again. Are the sentences true (T) or false (F)

- Hoodies didn't exist in the 1930s
- The first hoodies didn't cost a lot of money
- People didn't wear trainers for sports at first
- The backpack comes from Canada
- Originally, backpacks were for outdoor activities

3.- Complete the definitions with the underlined words from the text.

- 1.- not inside a building
- 2.- pieces of articles
- 3.- popular
- 4.- all people
- 5.- in all parts or places
- 6.- paintings or writing on a Wall in a public place

4.- Complete the sentences with a Word from the text

- 1.- Hoodies were popular because they were **expensive**. and weren't
- 2.- Hoodies were popular with **artists** in New York.
- 3.- Football **helped** to make trainers popular.
- 4.- **weren't** popular before the 1990s.