

Test on: "Fast fashion is harming the environment"

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I. Read the text:

Environmentalists are getting more worried about the effects of fast fashion on the environment. Fast fashion is the mass production of clothes at a low cost. They are put in shops and online quickly to create a high demand. Manufacturers make 100 billion items of clothing every year. This is expected to grow by 60 per cent by 2030. The fast fashion business model is having a negative effect on the environment. Many of the clothes end up in landfills and are not recycled. Another negative effect on the environment is caused by the chemicals used to make the clothes. These cause health problems for people working in clothes factories. There are reports children make many of these clothes.

The way people are buying clothes is adding to the problem of clothing waste. Many years ago, people went to stores and tried clothes on. People took more time and thought more carefully before they bought clothes. They also wore them for longer. Today, people order cheap clothes on the Internet and if they don't like them, they send them back. Some people say this is causing a throwaway society. Some people buy clothes and never even wear them. The German media company Deutsche Welle wrote: "Every year in Europe, four million tons of clothing ends up in the trash. Less than one per cent of this is recycled." It seems the fashion industry is not so sustainable.

II. Now, choose the right alternative to answer the next questions.

1. What is Fast fashion?

- a) A big problem to solve.
- b) The mass production of clothes at a low cost.
- c) An environmentally sustainable business.

2. How is it sold?

- a) They are put only in shops.
- b) They are put only online.
- c) They are put in shops and online.

3. Why are they put in shops and online quickly?

- a) To create a high demand.
- b) To earn a lot of money.
- c) To create job opportunities.

4. How many items do the manufacturers make every year?

- a) 100 billion items.
- b) 2030 billion items.
- c) 60 billion items.

5. How much is demand expected to grow?
- a) By 20 per cent.
b) By 40 per cent. c) By 60 per cent.
6. When do they expect it to grow?
- a) By two thousand and twenty.
b) By two thousand and thirty.
c) By two thousand and forty.
7. Is the fast fashion business model having a positive effect on the environment?
- a) Yes, it is.
b) No, it is not.
c) The fast fashion is having a negative effect on the environment.
8. Where do these clothes end up?
- a) In landfills.
b) In China. c) In stores.
9. Are these clothes recycled?
- a) Yes, they are.
b) No, they are not.
c) They are not recycled.
10. What causes other negative effect on the environment?
- a) The environment.
b) The clothes. c) The chemicals.
11. What does people suffer?
- a) Adiction.
b) Health problems. c) Poverty.
12. Do children make any of these clothes?
- a) Yes, they do.
b) No, they do not. c) Yes, they did.
13. Do people try clothes on today?
- a) Yes, they do.
b) No, they do not. c) Yes, they did.
14. In the past, did people take more time before they buy clothes?
- a) Yes, they did.
b) No, they did not. c) Yes, they do.
15. Did they also wear their clothes for longer?
- a) Yes, they did.
b) No, they did not. c) Yes, they do.
16. Today, Do people order cheap clothes on the Internet?
- a) Yes, they do.
b) No, they do not. c) Yes, they did.
17. Do people send clothes back if they do not like them?
- a) Yes, they do.
b) No, they do not. c) Yes, they did.
18. What do people say about it?
- a) They say:
"This is causing a good society".
b) They say:
"This is causing a throwaway society".
c) They say:
"This is causing a poor society".
19. What did the German media company Deutsche Welle write?
- a) They wrote:
"In Europe, less than one per cent of tons of clothing are recycled."
b) They wrote:
"Every year in Europe, forty million tons of clothing ends up in the trash"
c) They wrote: "Every year in Europe, four million tons of clothing are recycled."
20. Is the fashion industry sustainable?
- a) Yes, it is.
b) No, it is not.
c) The fashion industry is not sustainable.