

ΘΕΜΑ 1. ΚΑΤΑΝΟΗΣΗ ΓΡΑΠΤΟΥ ΛΟΓΟΥ

Read the text and choose the correct option (A, B or C) for items 1-10.

The impact of toxic chemical use in agriculture, for the production of cotton, was shown in a documentary called *The True Cost*, including the death of a US cotton farmer and serious birth defects in Indian farmers' children. There is growing interest in the production of organic cotton, with famous clothes companies featuring among the world's top users. However, the overall use of organic cotton represents less than 1 per cent of the world's total annual cotton crop. The international expansion of fast fashion creates a bigger



problem on a global scale. Wardrobes in developed nations are full, so in order to sell more products, retailers must create new collections and convince them that the items they already have are no longer fashionable. It's also often cheaper and easier to buy new clothes than have them repaired. Busy lifestyles do not allow people much free time and in opposition to previous generations, the loss of sewing skills does not help people to repair their clothes by themselves. The rise of supermarket fashion that can be bought on a weekly basis and the regular seasonal sales make cheap clothing seem "disposable" in a way it did not use to be. The recycling rates for textiles are still very low, especially in the UK, as three-quarters of British throw away unwanted clothing rather than donating or recycling it.

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1. The purpose of this text is to

- A. explain the process of clothes production. B. discuss the impact of fashion on the environment. C. present the new fashion trends for women.

2. A suitable title for this text could be

- A. The environmental cost of fast fashion. B. Clothes recycling: A new trend C. How can we protect our environment?

3. The documentary shows how

- A. doctors die from chemicals. B. chemicals help farmers. C. farmers' children get sick.

4. Organic cotton is

- A. very often used by large clothes companies. B. is the most popular crop all over the world. C. is the friendliest to the environment.

5. In the text, the underlined phrase 'on a global scale' means

- A. in all big countries. B. in the whole world. C. in all small countries.

6. In order to sell more clothes fashion companies

- A. decrease the price of new clothes. B. create new collections very often. C. have often sales from older collections.

7. According to the text, it is

- A. easier to repair clothes. B. cheaper to buy new clothes. C. difficult to recycle clothes.

8. In opposition to previous generations, people nowadays

- A. know how to make their own clothes. B. do not know how to repair their clothes. C. can repair their clothes by themselves.

9. In the text, the underlined phrase 'supermarket fashion' refers to

- A. the clothes busy people throw away. B. the expensive clothes people find everywhere. C. the clothes supermarkets sell.

10. Clothing recycling is

- A. difficult in the UK. B. increased in the UK. C. very low in the UK.

ΘΕΜΑ 2^ο. ΛΕΞΙΚΟΓΡΑΜΜΑΤΙΚΗ

Fill each gap in sentences 11-20 with the correct option from the box below (A-J). Use each option only once.

A.	increasing	B.	create	C.	annual	D.	interest	E.	recycling
F.	repair	G.	production	H.	use	I.	possible	J.	donating

11.	Thank you for your present! It's such an amazing camera! I cannot wait to _____ it in my next trip.
12.	I tried to _____ my bike last week but had no success so I finally took it to the nearby bike shop.
13.	We managed to _____ our new school website in less than a week!
14.	The car company's new model will go into _____ early next year.
15.	It is important to visit your doctor and have your _____ checkup once a year.
16.	Laptop sales keep _____ over the last few years since more and more people use one for business or pleasure.
17.	I've always had a(n) _____ in maths so I became a maths teacher.
18.	The weather forecast said that it is _____ to snow tonight.
19.	A way to protect the environment is by _____ old machines that we no longer use.
20.	She likes _____ her out-of-fashion clothes to charity.