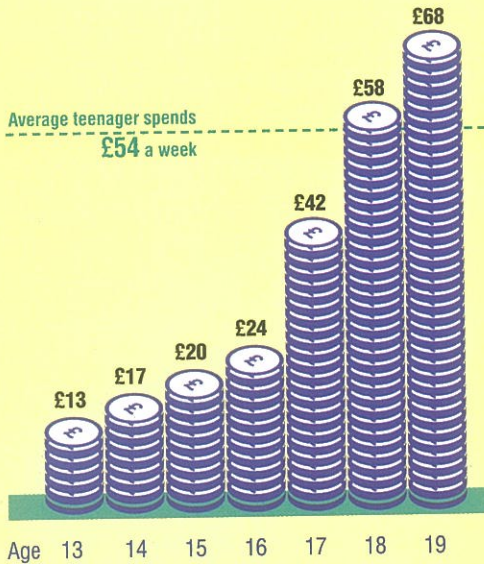




1 Look at the infographic based on a survey about teen shopping in the UK. Did any of the results surprise you? Which results of the survey would have been similar or different in your country?

TEENS AND SHOPPING

Teenagers' weekly spending by age:



84% of teens' money goes on clothes, restaurants, cafés, films, food and gaming.



22% of teens often buy vintage clothes on sites like Depop, Facebook Marketplace or eBay.



81% of teens save some money every week, often for holidays.

What influences teens' fashion choices?



30%
Social Media



25%
Friends



5%
Celebrities



3%
Parents

Where do teens prefer to shop?



63%
Shops



33%
Online



4%
Would prefer online, but haven't got credit cards

2 Read some reactions that readers had to the infographic. Pay attention to the words in colour. Which reader ... ?

- 1 is very careful about money
- 2 doesn't have much patience for shopping
- 3 is surprised by one of the survey results
- 4 has got siblings who care about fashion

Online shopping is so much more convenient than going to shops and waiting for a **fitting room**. A lot of sites have got **free delivery** or low **shipping costs** and they give you a number for **online tracking**, too. *Andrea*

My brothers **purchase** a lot of **high-end** clothing at expensive shops. If the **label** hasn't got the name of someone famous on it, they won't buy it. *Lindsay*

I'm not **short of money**, but I often shop at sales and **second-hand** shops, where I find a lot of amazing outfits. If I'm not happy with an item, I try to get a **refund** or ask the shop to **exchange** the item. *Thomas*

It's hard to believe that the number of teens influenced by famous people is so low. **Advertising campaigns** use celebs all the time. That's why some clothing items are **sold out** so quickly. *Mike*



LOOKING AT LANGUAGE

The expression *short of* means not having enough of something.

I'm short of money this month.

Which of the following can you be *short of*?

- 1 time 2 hair 3 breath

3 Match A to B to form sentences. Pay attention to the words in colour.

A

- 1 It's a good idea to make a **budget**
- 2 The **display** contains items
- 3 When you **owe** money,
- 4 I won't buy certain **brands** of clothing
- 5 People who want to make sure they're getting **good value**

B


- a which the shop wants customers to see.
- b usually compare items before they buy anything.
- c when you want to control your spending.
- d you should return it as quickly as possible.
- e in order to impress others.

4 Complete the sentences with the words below.
good value | high-end | display | shipping costs exchange

- 1 I really like the shoes in this ...
- 2 ... clothing usually costs more than other clothing.
- 3 You should include ... when comparing prices online.
- 4 I decided to ... the sweater because it wasn't my style.
- 5 I don't spend a lot of money on clothes, but I try to buy things that are ...

5 Complete the sentences with a suitable word. Pay attention to the words in bold.

- 1 My favourite **brand** of jeans is ...
- 2 A **label** is usually on an item of ...
- 3 **Fitting rooms** are in ...
- 4 You ... money when you **purchase** something.
- 5 If something is **sold out**, it's not ...
- 6 You **exchange** something that is too ...
- 7 I don't **owe** you anything. I ... you yesterday.

 **6** What other words do you know connected to consumerism?



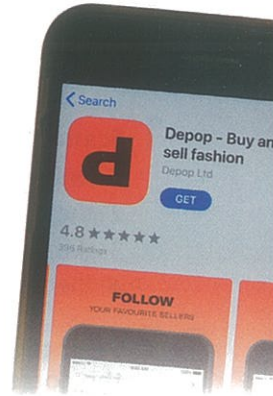
LISTENING A Conversation

7 Have you ever considered buying second-hand clothing online? Which items would you be prepared to buy second-hand?

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8 You are going to hear a conversation about an app for buying and selling second-hand clothes. Listen to the first part of the conversation and complete the sentences.

- 1 Jonathan is soon going to open ...
- 2 Most of Depop's customers are ...
- 3 Most of Emma's clothes come from ...
- 4 Depop first began ...
- 5 Depop sellers only need ...



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9 Listen to the second part of the conversation and decide if the following sentences are true or false.

- 1 Caitlin has got one job.
- 2 She works at a charity shop.
- 3 Depop was Ollie's first job.
- 4 Ollie is a successful seller.
- 5 Depop can help the environment.

TECHNO TASK

Go online and find a second-hand clothing site. Can you put together an outfit for £50 or less?

SPEAKING Describing Spending Habits

10 Think about what you spend in an average month, what you spend it on and what you think you could change. Then discuss with your partner.

I buy quite a lot of fast food. On average, I probably spend at least €15 a week on hamburgers and pizza. I should probably eat more meals at home.

I'm on a budget, so I can't spend too much. But it's hard for me to resist offers with free shipping.

USEFUL LANGUAGE

On average, I buy ...
Most of my money goes on ...
I probably spend ...
It's hard for me to ...
I should probably ...