

A2 Key Part 3

1 Read the article in exercise 3 quickly. What is the main idea?

- a Teenagers are spending more money online than in shops.
- b Teenagers are buying and selling second-hand clothes on social media.
- c Teenagers are spending less money on clothes.

2 Complete the sentences with these words.

change • customer • price • receipt • sale • size

- 1 Don't forget to get a _____, because you might want to take it back.
- 2 Have you got this in my _____, please? I'm a 40.
- 3 That's £8.50, so your _____ from £10 is £1.50. Here you are!
- 4 Look, there's 30% off in the _____. Let's buy it!
- 5 It's £15 – that's a good _____! It's more expensive online.
- 6 The shop assistant is helping a _____ over there.

✓ Exam tip

In multiple-choice reading activities, read the whole text first to understand the topic and general meaning. Then look at the questions and find which part of the text answers each question.

3 For each question, choose the correct answer.

- 1 What does the article say about people born between 1995 and 2008?
 - A They spend a lot of money.
 - B The environment is important to them.
 - C They aren't interested in business.
- 2 In paragraph 2, the word *alter* is closest in meaning to _____.
 - A change
 - B make
 - C show
- 3 In paragraph 2, why does Rita write about a sweatshirt?
 - A to explain how clothes prices work on social media
 - B to give an example of a very cheap price
 - C to say what clothes are most popular on social media

4 What does Emily do early in the morning?

- A She replies to messages from customers.
- B She goes to second-hand shops.
- C She takes photos of clothes.

5 In the last paragraph, what does Rita think is good?

- A Teenagers are spending less time shopping.
- B People want to buy more second-hand clothes.
- C Teenagers aren't putting lots of holiday photos on social media.

The teenagers turning old clothes into money

by Rita Park

People say that Generation Z – people born between 1995 and 2008 – don't like spending money as much as older people. Generation Z are also good at thinking of interesting business ideas, and they care about the environment. Maybe this is why so many teenagers are selling second-hand clothes to other teenagers on social media.

Some teenagers are just selling their own clothes, but others have big online 'shops'. They find cool clothes in second-hand shops. Sometimes they alter the clothes to make them look better. Then they take photos of the clothes and post them on social media. Customers can say what price they want to pay. For example, one person might say '£10' for a sweatshirt, but if a second person says '£11', the second person gets the sweatshirt.

Two teenage friends, Emily Adams and Sophia Lopez, have an online clothes 'shop' on social media, and around 50,000 people like their page. They work hard and they don't have much free time. Emily takes photos of clothes before school and replies to messages from customers between lessons. After school, she goes to the post office to send clothes to customers or goes to second-hand shops to find more clothes to sell.

Social media is changing. Now it's not just where you show photos of your friends or your holidays. For many teenagers it's where they go shopping, and for some it's their job. It's also changing the way we think about second-hand clothes, and that's a really good thing.



A2 Key Part 5

1 Decide if the sentences about Key Part 5 tasks are True (T) or False (F).

- a You can write one or two words in the gap.
- b For some questions, more than one answer is possible.
- c You lose marks for spelling mistakes.

2 Choose the correct alternative.

1



- A T-shirt
- B sweatshirt
- C shirt

2



- A jumper
- B jeans
- C jacket

3



- A socks
- B sandals
- C boots

4



- A coat
- B hoodie
- C dress

5



- A jacket
- B jumper
- C jeans

6



- A boots
- B trainers
- C shorts

✓ Exam tip

In Key Part 5 tasks, after you write the answers in the gaps, read the whole text to check it makes sense. Remember that some questions can have more than one possible answer, but you must only write one word. Check that your spelling is correct. If your spelling is not correct, you lose marks.

3 For each question, write the correct answer. Write one word for each gap.

To: Ava
From: Holly



I (1) very excited! Our trip is this weekend! I'm thinking (2) the clothes we need to bring. We need a jacket (3) it might be cold. You can bring your new red jacket! Also, have you (4) any boots? We might need them for walking. Don't forget to bring warm socks too! I'm also bringing sandals because it might (5) hot. And a T-shirt and jeans, of course. Oh, one thing that's very important – we need a lot (6) sweets and chocolate! Let's go (7) the supermarket tomorrow!