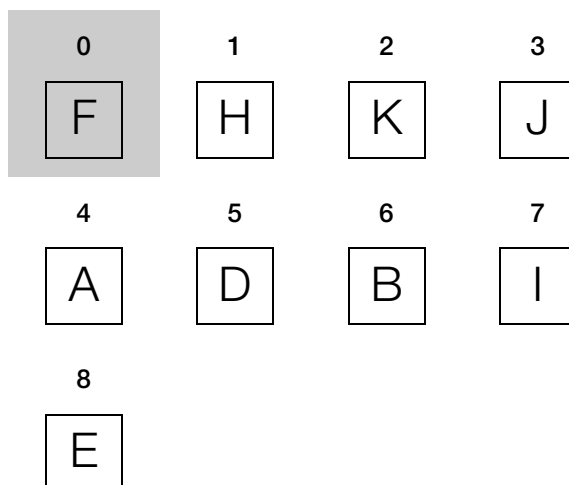


Korrekturhinweise

Resold clothes



Justifications

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The speaker says: "But first, most of us like to think that those slightly worn skirts or pants we donate will get in the hands of people who really need them - free of charge. Well, a chunk of that used clothing ends up being resold in developing countries." Gifts to charity are used in ways that therefore fail to meet people's expectations.

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The speaker says: "Last week, Bolivian president Evo Morales restricted the import of used clothing, saying he wants to protect the local clothing industries, and he considers the business shameful." One country is therefore trying to reduce the trade in second-hand goods.

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The speaker says: "So today, we take you on a journey, following the steps of your T-shirt. Where does it go when you drop it off? And our guide is Georgetown University Professor Pietra Rivoli, author of the book 'The Travels of a T-Shirt in the Global Economy'." The speakers therefore want to explore the life cycle of a recycled product.

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The speaker says: "And the mountains and mountains of clothing that Americans throw away simply can't be absorbed here in the United States, you know, even if we were to try to give all this clothing away here in America, there are simply not enough people who who want it." The U.S. market is therefore too small to use all donations.

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The speaker says: "They'll keep some and sell in their thrift stores, but probably upwards of 90 per cent of what you donate to a Salvation Army or a Goodwill, that charity will sell by the pound to used clothing companies." Most clothing donations therefore re-enter the market.

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The speaker says: "And what this company will do typically is sort through all this - grade it, make up bales of T-shirts, bales of jeans, bales of winter coats, and then sell them to importing companies, mainly in developing countries, but not always." Firms that purchase used clothes therefore classify the goods.

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The speaker says: "One of the interesting things is that, actually, the biggest dollar customer of American used clothing is Japan, you know, which is not a developing country, of course." A rich nation therefore happens to buy more than others.

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The speaker says: "One are the local charities who sell the clothing, obtain the money that then go to support their programs here in the United States, so the Salvation Army will sell their clothing for five to seven cents a pound and use those resources to support their charitable activities here." Charities therefore finance their actions from the sales.

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The speaker says: "And, of course, the consumers benefit because they get access to high quality, low-priced clothing." Buyers of second-hand textiles therefore get good value for money.