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Hi, and welcome to a new season of Newsreel. I'm Kate Holland.

Coming up:

- Are young people starting to reject cheap and mass-produced clothes?

Emily: We're learning more each day through the news articles and social media about the negative effects of fast fashion.

People in the UK struggle as the price of almost everything increases

But first....

Many families in the UK are struggling to pay for basic household goods because of what's known as the 'cost of living crisis'.

The price of food and energy has gone up in recent months and some people are finding it difficult to live normally.

In the UK, the cost of food has increased by 7% compared to last year and UK energy bills are likely to rise by 80% in the next few months.

This means some people are unable to pay for things they take for granted. Kat, who is a young mother, told the BBC

Kat: My TV has been disconnected, my wifi has been disconnected, because I can't afford to pay them. I've already sold everything in my house that is worth anything so I've got nothing left to sell.

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fast fashion

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Are young people starting to reject cheap and mass-produced clothes?

More and more young people across the UK have stopped buying cheaply made clothes which are mass-produced in factories.

These cheap items of clothing - which are usually only worn a few times before being thrown away - are called 'fast fashion'.

Scientists have warned that fast fashion is contributing to climate change and people should buy fewer clothes each year.

I spoke to Annabelle who has mostly stopped buying new clothes. What percentage of your clothes are second hand?

Annabelle: I would say about 80% of my wardrobe is second hand.

Kate: What are your thoughts on fast fashion?

Annabelle: I don't like fast fashion. I think it's bad for the environment. I think it's exploitative to its workers. And for these reasons and more, I think it's unsustainable for the planet.

Kate: Do you think more young people will start buying second hand clothes?

Annabelle: Yes, I think there will be more second hand trends, like repairing clothes for example. But, I don't know how big the move away from fast fashion will be because those industries are so powerful.

I also spoke to Emily, who is a young business owner who sells vintage and second-hand clothes through her website and a smartphone app.

Kate: Why did you start your online vintage shop?

Emily: I fell in love with vintage and buying second hand when I was a young teen. I love being able to provide unique, sustainable, and high quality items at an affordable price.

Kate: What kind of second hand clothes do you sell?

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exploitative

exploaterande/utnyttjande

unsustainable

ohållbart

repairing

laga, reparera

powerful

mäktig

vintage clothes

begagnade/gammaldags kläder

provide

erbjuda

affordable price

överkomligt pris

Emily: For me, I have a soft spot for nineties and 2000s clothing. So I focus on those decades. People also come to me to find the perfect fitting jeans as I provide extensive measurements and guides to help people find the best fit.

Kate: And finally, Emily, do you think the fast fashion trend will ever end?

Emily: Not completely, no. Which is probably not what people want to hear. But there will always be those looking for cheap, affordable clothing. But we are witnessing more and more the effects of climate change. We're learning more each day through the news articles and social media about the negative effects of fast fashion.

Thank you, Emily and Annabelle.

And finally...

Notting Hill Carnival returns

Europe's largest carnival returned in August after a three year break because of Covid.

The festival celebrates Caribbean culture in the UK and includes a parade, live music, and lots of food stalls where people can enjoy traditional Caribbean food.

Two million people attended the carnival which saw people dancing on the street until sunset in colourful costumes.

That's all from me. Thanks for listening and speak to you soon!

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carnival

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