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Long sleeve shirt:

Brand: Style & Co

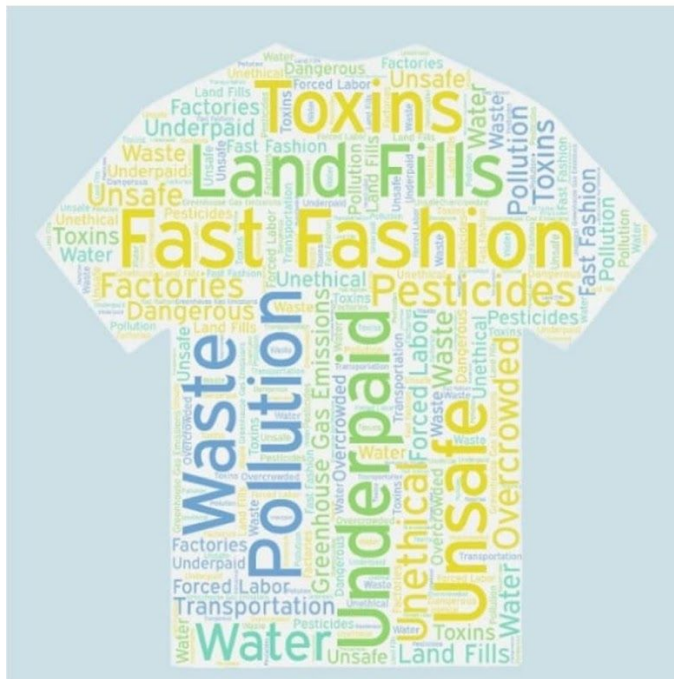
Materials: 58% cotton, 39% modal, 3% spandex

Produced in Malaysia

- Many Malaysian factories have dangerous working conditions, are overcrowded, and their workers are underpaid



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Presentation that I presented to my family:

The Impacts of Fast Fashion

What is Fast Fashion?

Fast fashion is the mass production of cheap clothes based on current and seasonal trends. These clothes are not built to last and end up damaging the environment.

Fast fashion more severely affects BIPOC because a majority of the people working in clothing factories are People of Color, especially women of color. These people are underpaid and work in very unsafe conditions in the factories.



Fast Fashion Facts

- One t-shirt requires about 700 gallons of water
- Clothing production increased by 400% from 1994-2014
- After the oil industry, the fashion industry is the second largest polluter
- In Bangladesh, 4.5 million people work in clothing factories
- The average American throws away 70 pounds of clothing annually



Researching My Shirt

Long sleeve shirt from Macy's:

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What Can We Do?

- Buy less clothes
- Buy used clothes from thrift stores
- Donate our clothes so that they get a second life
- Buy clothes from sustainable and ethical brands (Boody, Yesand, Patagonia, Prairie Underdog, Amour Vert, or Industry of All Nations)
- Look for clothes made of organic cotton or recycled fabrics
- Repurpose clothes into something else



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