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THE CLEVER CONSUMER

- 1. List some resources available where you might acquire fabric and sewing notions. Then determine the advantages and disadvantages of using each resource.

RESOURCE	ADVANTAGE	DISADVANTAGE
__FABRIC STORE__	__GOOD SELECTION__	__INCREASED COST__
	__CURRENT COLORS/PRINTS__	
__FRIENDS/FAMILY__	__LITTLE OR NO COST__	__LIMITED SELECTION__
		__MAY NOT BE CURRENT__
		__COLORS/PRINTS__
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

- 2. List four (4) ways you can save money on your fabric purchases at a fabric store.

- 1. __WATCH F/SALES; __SIGN UP TO RECEIVE MAILERS; __NEWSPAPER ADS__
- 2. __USE STUDENT DISCOUNT COUPONS _____
- 3. __CHECK FLAT FOLD TABLES _____
- 4. __SHOP AT DISCOUNT STORES _____

- 3. List some advantages and disadvantages of buying fabric and/or notions in large quantities when you find them on sale.

- Advantages: __CAN SAVE MONEY ON ITEMS USED A LOT _____
- __CAN SAVE MONEY ON HIGH YARDAGE ITEMS _____
- __CAN SEW FOR LESS COST _____
- Disadvantages: __"GOOD DEAL" ITEMS MAY NOT BE USEFUL LATER _____
- __COLORS/DESIGNS/FABRICS MAY GO OUT OF STYLE _____
- __IT IS TEMPTING TO BUY MORE THAN YOU CAN USE _____

- 4. Money-saving options for students with limited funds are:
 - 1. __RECYCLE ARTICLES OF CLOTHING (e.g., jeans, wool garments, etc.)_____
 - 2. __DO SAMPLES OF CONSTRUCTION TECHNIQUES IN ASSIGNED PROJECT _____
 - 3. __MAKE SIMILAR ITEM IN SMALLER SIZE (CHILD OR INFANT) _____