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People who make **clothes** to fit **individual people**. They can **customise** and **personalise** clothing. They may also provide **alterations** and **repair** services.

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Do you and your family use a **laundry service** such as a **laundrette/laundromat**? **Why/why not**?

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Have you and/or your family ever **rented clothing**? Have you been to a **clothing rental store**?

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What do you and your family do with the **clothing you no longer want to keep**? Do you **donate** it, **resell** it, **give** it away, **throw** it away? **Why**?

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Have you and/or your family ever given clothing to a **textiles recycling service**? **Why/why not**?

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Are you **surprised** by your **findings**? Why or why not?

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What did you find most **interesting** about your **findings**?

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## Activity Sheet 3: Create an Imaginary Clothing Store

### TASK 2: IMAGINARY CLOTHING STORES

### PART 3

*Describe your imaginary clothing store/service:*

Does it **sell clothing or provide a service**?

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What is the **purpose** of this clothing store/service?

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**Who works** in this store/service?

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**Where** is this clothing store/service **located**?

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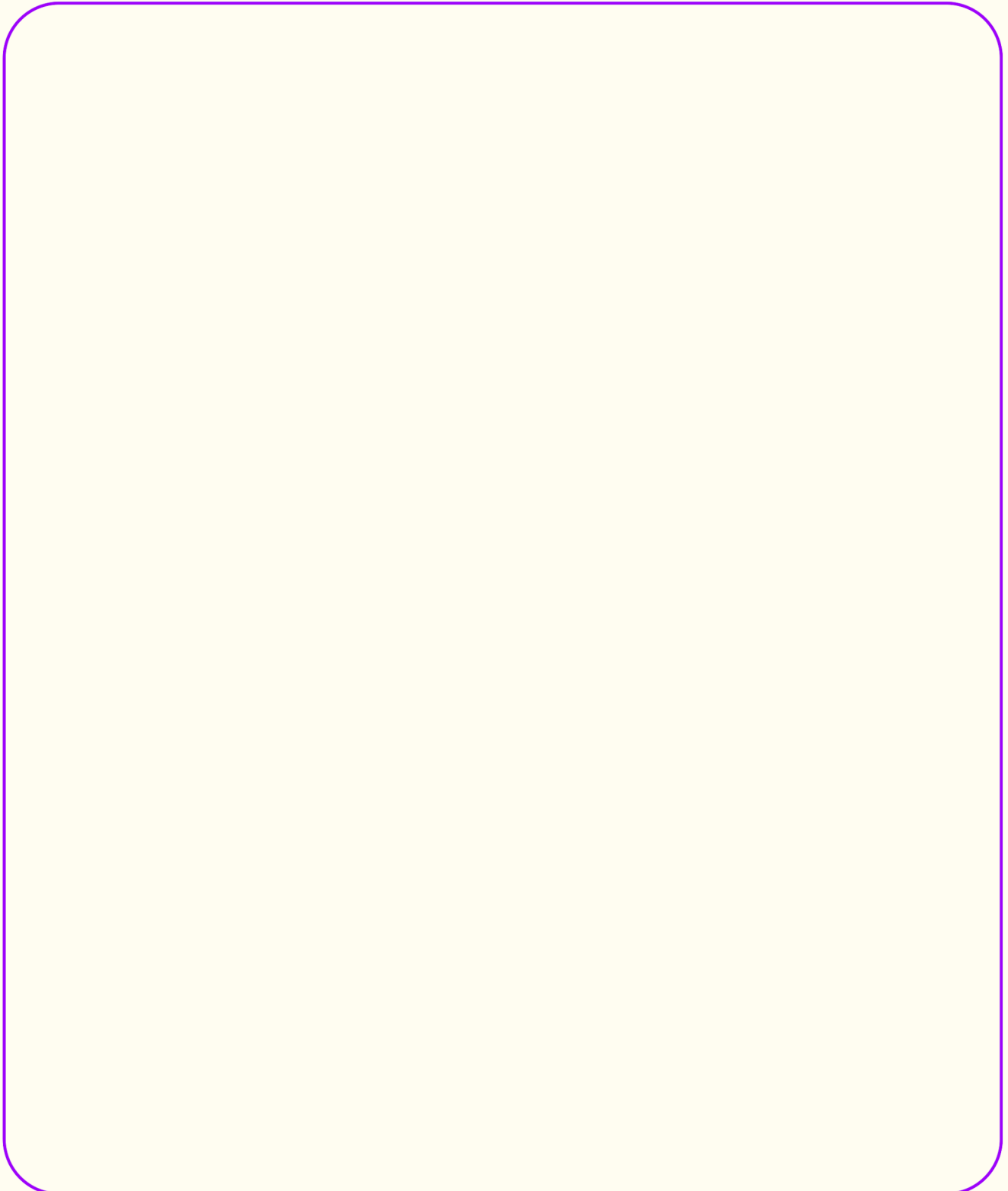
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## Activity Sheet 3: Create an Imaginary Clothing Store

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**Draw** what your **imaginary clothing store/service** looks like. **Label** its **features** and **qualities**:



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## Activity Sheet 4: Fashion Detectives - Clothing

### TASK 3: CLOTHING FASHION DETECTIVE

### PART 3

Use your chosen item of clothing to complete this activity sheet:

Your chosen clothing item: .....

Do you remember **where** your **clothing** item was **bought** or **how** you **own** it?

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Turn your **clothing inside out** to find the **care label/other labels**. What do you **discover**? Write down your answers in the table below:

Where was the clothing made? (The country)	What is the clothing made from? (The fabric/fibres/material)	Who made the clothing? (The people)

Was there any **information** that you **could not find**?

Did any of the things you discovered above **surprise you**? Why or why not?

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Is there **other information** you would like to **know** about your clothing item?

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## Activity Sheet 4: Fashion Detectives - Clothing

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Now, research your discoveries further. Go to the internet and research the following questions:

Research how clothing is made in the country your clothing was made in. What do you discover?

Research the what the clothing is made from - the fabric/fibres/materials. Where do the materials come from? Are they grown or made in a lab? What do you discover?

Research who made your clothing. Who are the people who made your clothes? Is it possible to discover who made your clothes?

Did any of your **research** and new **discoveries surprise** you?

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