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Listen to the extract from a podcast about current trends. Choose True or False.

	True	False
The presenter is recording the show in his pyjamas.	☒	☒
It is a hot day today.	☒	☒
Kevin's wife has good taste in clothes.	☒	☐
Redbook makes clothes for people who work from home.	☒	☐
Kevin is wearing a pair of jeans.	☒	☒
Kevin thinks that you can't work well if you are wearing clothes that look bad.	☒	☐
Kevin thinks that more companies will start to produce similar clothing.	☒	☐
Kevin is worried about the effect that increased competition will have on his business.	☐	☒



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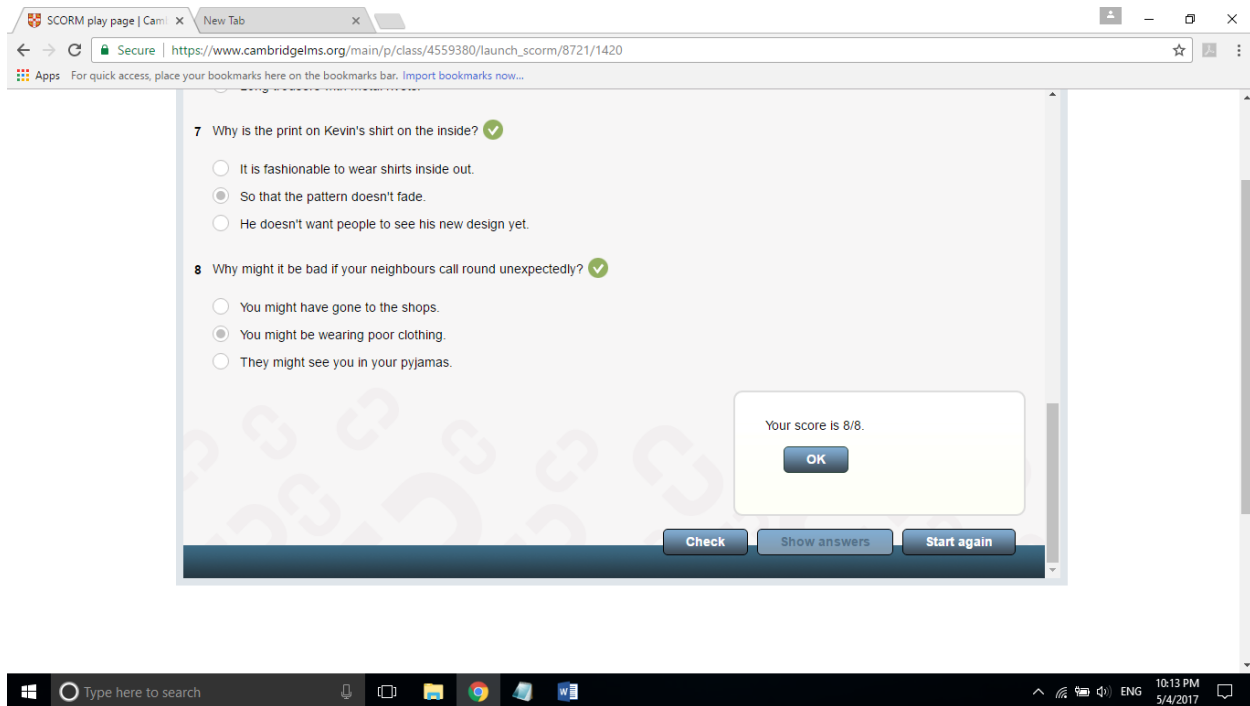
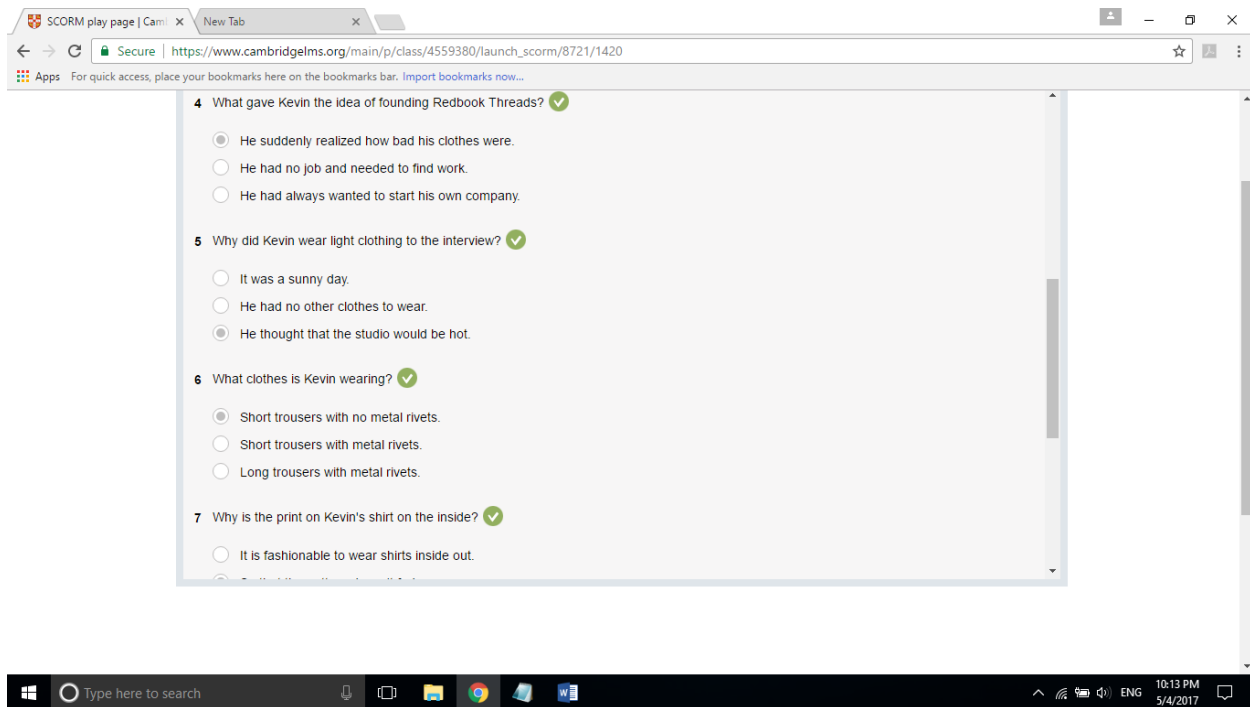
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Listen to the podcast. Choose the correct options.

- Why does the presenter say that he could present the show in his pyjamas? ☒
- Why did Kevin want some new clothes for work? ☒
- Why did Kevin wear the clothes even though his wife didn't like them? ☒
- What gave Kevin the idea of founding Redbook Threads? ☒





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1 Kevin: She's got natural style, but until then she'd never really complained about my lack of fashion sense.

2 Kevin: Exactly. So you can answer the door with confidence.

3 Kevin: The print is on the inside, so when I wear it you see a faint pattern – and the dye won't fade.

4 Kevin: That's true, it looks good, but the cut of the fabric gives it room to breathe – to move – and it doesn't feel too tight.

5 Presenter: So you're saying that you can only work in professional conditions?



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professional conditions?

6 Kevin: And what's unique about our designs is that they are both practical and stylish.

7 Presenter: So, is this the beginning of a new trend?

8 Kevin: I think it is, yes. And if we've helped create an industry with a focus on both style and comfort, then I think that we can cope with a little competition!

9 Presenter: Kevin Gardner, thank you. And from someone who usually just wears tracksuits around the house, I can tell you that you have another convert!

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1 How can she wear clothes like that? She looks awful! Wow! I see what you mean! ✓

2 I'm not sure I can get this zip up on my own. Do you need a hand? ✓

3 What do you think about jeggings? I'm not mad about them, to be honest. ✓

4 I don't think clothes matter that much. At least, not in my opinion. ✓

5 She'll be signing autographs after the fashion show. Really? I'm dying to meet her! ✓

6 But I thought you weren't into fashion? Well, I might go - just for the fun of it. ✓

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Complete the crossword puzzle.

1 C O N F I D E N T 2 C E

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Exercise 5: Vocabulary Show Dashboard Exercise 7: Opinions

Put the words in the correct order to make sentences.

- 1 They'll talk about the latest designs and who will be wearing them . ✓
- 2 I'm heading to Milan for the fashion show next week . ✓
- 3 I'm sure you'll have a fantastic time in Paris . ✓
- 4 We're expecting the designers to present some really exciting collections next spring . ✓
- 5 We need to protect the design. Otherwise someone else will take the idea and market it as their own . ✓
- 6 Shall I collect you, or will you be taking the bus ? ✓
- 7 The train gets in at around three o'clock . ✓

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Exercise 5: Vocabulary Show Dashboard Exercise 7: Opinions

- 7 The train gets in at around three o'clock . ✓
- 8 I can be there to help you with the tram, there are no lifts at Victoria Station . ✓
- 9 It would be great to go to a show, I've not been to Vienna for years . ✓
- 10 Do you think it's going to rain this evening ? ✓
- 11 If you come over this afternoon can you phone first ? ✓

Your score is 11/11.

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Exercise 6: Talking about the future Show Dashboard Exercise 8: Asking for opinions and checking information

1 These trousers make me look really fat! Not at all – you look great in them! ✓

2 I'm looking forward to the fashion show next week. If you ask me, the clothes look stupid and the models are overpaid. ✓

3 It would be much better if they had to wear school uniform. I'm not so sure. I think that kids should wear what they like. ✓

4 If I stick to my diet I'll be able to get back into that dress. If you want my advice, don't bother. Life's too short – enjoy yourself! ✓

5 I think that fashion was at its best in the 1980s. You can't be serious! People looked terrible then! ✓

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5 I think that fashion was at its best in the 1980s. You can't be serious! People looked terrible then! ✓

6 I always buy cheap clothes, that way I can get new things every season. Yes, but think about how badly the people who make them are paid. ✓

7 It must be really difficult for models, I couldn't do it. Perhaps, but think about the money they earn. ✓

8 It's worth paying more for quality clothes. I reckon there's not much difference. It's the brand you're paying for. ✓

9 What do you think of this dress? Personally, I wouldn't wear it. ✓

10 I'd never buy my clothes there. Really? I think it's quite a good shop. ✓

Your score is 10/10.

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Exercise 7: Opinions Show Dashboard Exercise 9: Vowel elision (1)

- 1 Can you tell me who does your hair? ✓
- 2 How did you feel about being so far from home? ✓
- 3 Do you think that elderly people care about fashion? ✓
- 4 And what do you think about this season's colours? ✓
- 5 So are you saying that there is a need for greater regulation of working conditions? ✓
- 6 What would you say to people who criticize fashion for being elitist? ✓
- 7 As I understand it, these are especially popular in Belgium. ✓
- 8 Do you think that the world really needs another major fashion show? ✓

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- 1 Do you ever go to the opera? ✓
 - ☐ o pera
 - ☒ op e ra
 - ☐ oper a
- 2 Two new families moved into our street last week. ✓
 - ☐ f a milies
 - ☒ fam i lies
 - ☐ famil i es
- 3 What's that strange noise coming from the laboratory? ✓
 - ☐ l a boratory
 - ☐ lab o ratory
 - ☒ laborat o ry
- 4 No thanks, I'm quite comfortable where I am. ✓
 - ☐ c o mfortable
 - ☒ comf o rtable

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