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EcoDesign in Textile sector

Unit 1: Materials: Natural and Man-Made Fibers UNIT QUIZ



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| 1 | As regards thetextile fibers production, the environmental aspects are closely linked to various problems. Comparing environmental aspects and textile fibers is complex and not immediate. |
| 2 | Natural fibers can come from: |
| 3 | Man-Made fibers come from: |
| 4 | Man-Made fibers production is obtained only froma petroleum sources. |
| 5 | The environmental impacts of man-made fiber production are always worse than those of natural fibers |
| 6 | Cotton is one of the most important fibers worldwide used. |
| 7 | The environmental aspects of cotton cultivation are: |
| 8 | The cultivation of 1 kg of cotton can take up to 3800 liters of water. |
| 9 | On average, about 2100 liters of water are consumed for the cultivation of 1 kg of cotton. |
| 10 | The petroleum used for each kg of cotton ranges from 0.3 to 1 kg. |
| 11 | A protein fiber comes from cotton |
| 12 | By adopting appropriate measures, the cultivation of cotton can reduce the consumption of water by up to 91%. |
| 13 | By adopting appropriate measures, the cultivation of cotton can reduce the residual toxicity on the fiber by up to 93% |

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| 14 | The PED (Primary Enerdy Demand) value of cotton ranges between 5.8 and 15 Mega Joules per Kg. |
| 15 | The use of genetically modified varieties for the cultivation of cotton, allows to reduce the use of pesticides stedily over time. |
| 16 | The use of genetically modified varieties for the cultivation of cotton produces a lower quality fiber. |
| 17 | The use of genetically modified varieties for growing cotton reduces running costs. |
| 18 | Most of the wool production is a secondary product. |
| 19 | A Merino sheep can produce up to 5 kg of shearing wool. |
| 20 | Wool is always a poor quality product. |
| 21 | There may be traces of pesticides on wool. |
| 22 | Silk cultivation has high environmental impacts, especially in terms of pesticides and other chemical agents used |
| 23 | The freshly sheared wool must be washed and degreased, which produces heavily contaminated waters |
| 24 | The energy consumption used for the preparation of wool is 4/5 times lower than the Man-Made fibers |
| 25 | The water consumption used for the preparation of wool is the same for the water consumption for the preparation of cotton. |
| 26 | Cashmere wool is obtained thanks to a careful feeding of sheep. |
| 27 | Alpaca wool is obtained from the Lama. |
| 28 | Mohair is a type of finest wool. |
| 29 | Wool types are: |
| 30 | For the production of Liberian fibers fertilizers and herbicides are used, but in much smaller quantities compared to the production of cotton. |

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| 31 | Silk has a strong environmental impact, well documented by various researches. |
| 32 | There is a cruelty free variant of silk in which the chrysalis is not killed. |
| 33 | The environmental aspects of silk are related to: |
| 34 | "Wild silk" (or peace silk) has discontinuous fibers, unlike traditional silk that has continuous fibers |
| 35 | They are Liberian fibers: |
| 36 | Liberian fibers can be used in a process of rehabilitation of contaminated lands with heavy metals for food cultivation |
| 37 | Liberian fibers have an average energy consumption compared to the sector. |
| 38 | Liberian fibers consume the same amount of water as cotton. |
| 39 | Hemp is one of the fibers with the lowest environmental impact. |
| 40 | The process of maceration of Liberian fibers can generate pollutants in wastewater. |
| 41 | The PED value (Primary Energy Demand) of flax is about 20 MJ per Kg. |
| 42 | The yield of Hemp cultivation can reach 6 tons per hectare. |
| 43 | The yield of Hemp cultivation for fiber production is among the best of textile fibers. |
| 44 | The nettle, as well as easily cultivable, can easily be processed in standard processes. |
| 45 | Bamboo transformation processes can be both mechanical and chemical. |
| 46 | The bamboo has high levels of pesticides and herbicides. |



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| 47 | Kapok is the lightest fiber in nature |
| 48 | A textile fiber can be extracted from the banana plant. |
| 49 | A textile fiber can be extracted from the pineapple leaf. |
| 50 | A textile fiber can be extracted from the fig leaf. |
| 51 | A textile fiber can be extracted from the Agave Sisalana leaf. |
| 52 | Natural fibers are biodegradable. |
| 53 | Kapok is a fiber that is extracted from the homonymous plant's phloem. |
| 54 | Kapok is a fiber derived from petroleum. |
| 55 | They are fibers derived from petroleum: |
| 56 | 1 kg of polyester requires 109 MJ from non-renewable sources, of which 46 MJ for material and 63 MJ for energy. |
| 57 | Water consumption for Man-Made fibers is much lower than natural fibers, sometimes it can tend towards 0. |
| 58 | The polyester production causes significant environmental damage due to the release of harmful substances into the environment. |
| 59 | The polyester is produced with terephthalic acid, dimethylterephthalate and ethylene glycol. |
| 60 | Emissions from Polyester production may include: cobalt, manganese salts, sodium bromide, antimony oxide and titanium dioxide. |
| 61 | Polyester is a biodegradable fiber |
| 62 | Polyester can be chemically recycled. |
| 63 | Nylon corresponds to a family of polymers. |
| 64 | Kevlar is part of the Nylon family. |
| 65 | Nylon requires less energy than Polyester. |
| 66 | Nylon is a biodegradable polymer. |
| 67 | The Nylon PED value (Primary Energy Demand) is 150 MegaJoules per Kg. |

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| 68 | The production of Nylon is the most energy consuming of the textile sector |
| 69 | The production of Nylon can produce nitrogen oxides. |
| 70 | Acrylic production involves an aqueous suspension. |
| 71 | Acrylic is derived from waste cellulose from natural sources. |
| 72 | The Acrylic production process can have a final step in an acidic bath to give it antistaticity. |
| 73 | The Acrylic PED value (Primary Energy Demand) is 140 MegaJoules per Kg. |
| 74 | Viscose is a fiber derived from petroleum. |
| 75 | Viscose can come from: |
| 76 | The raw material of the Viscose has a neutral carbon footprint. |
| 77 | The air emissions of Viscosa production include sulfur, nitrogen oxides, carbon disulfide and hydrogen sulfide |
| 78 | Viscosa production can produce strong pollutants in wastewater. |
| 79 | Biopolymers derive from annual renewable crops, thus resulting carbon neutral. |
| 80 | Biopolymers, because they derive from renewable sources, do not generate negative environmental effects in their production cycle. |
| 81 | PLA is similar to Polyester, but with less overall environmental impact. |
| 82 | Despite the similarity, PLA requires more dyeing steps than the polyetherether. |



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| 83 | The greater sustainability of PLA compared to the Polyester concerns: |
| 84 | The Lyocell production, thanks to a continuous recycling of solvents, does not involve contaminated waste water. |
| 85 | Lyocell is: |
| 86 | There is a yarn derived from soybean oil. |
| 87 | Research is developing fibers from natural origins that can replace Man-Made fibers. |
| 88 | Man-made fibers of protein origin were developed before the Second World War. |
| 89 | In the processing of Man-Made fibers of protein origin can be used: |
| 90 | Recycled fibers have significantly lower environmental impact values than virgin fibers |
| 91 | Textile materials can be recycled from both the different stages of processing and from end-of-life goods |
| 92 | The advantages of recycled fibers are: |
| 93 | Fibers can be generated from plastic bottles by a mechanical process. |
| 94 | Natural fibers are recyclable through chemical processes that are able to dissolve even the mixtures of different fibers |
| 95 | Some synthetic fibers can be recycled through chemical processes, with the breakup of the polymer and subsequent repolymerization. |



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| 96 | In the assessment of the environmental impacts of the fibers, the main themes are: |
| 97 | The functional unit of reference for the production of fibers is 1 Kg of useful working fiber. |
| 98 | Man-Made fibers have higher values than: |
| 99 | Natural fibers have higher values than: |
| 100 | The elements to be taken into consideration during the design phase of a sustainable product are: |



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