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DESIGN OF CHILDREN'S DENIM CLOTHES ON THE BASIS PRINCIPLES OF UPCYCLING AND PATCHWORK TECHNOLOGY

ПРОЄКТУВАННЯ ДИТЯЧОГО ОДЯГУ З ДЕНІМУ НА ОСНОВІ ПРИНЦИПІВ АПСАЙКЛІНГУ ТА ТЕХНОЛОГІЇ ПЕЧВОРК

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The wave of eco-design has covered all areas of our life, including clothing production. This is due to the difficult ecological situation in the world. One of

the reasons was the popularization of «fast» fashion for decades. Production of textiles and clothing is harmful, as it leads to water and soil pollution, excessive use of water and production of garbage. A vivid example of the production harmfulness is the consumption of up to 7,000 liters of water for the production of one jeans and up to 2,700 liters – for a t-shirt [1].

In contrast to «fast», the concept of «sustainable fashion» appears, which involves approaches and principles in design that regulate a careful attitude to nature and a responsible attitude to the consumption of products [2-4]. Sustainable fashion arises from the creation of modern ecological materials and the application of upcycling old things into completely new and creative ones. Therefore, the design of children's denim clothing using the principles of upcycling is a rather urgent task.

Upcycling is secondary use, which means the creative transformation of waste into household products, clothes, accessories, etc. At the same time, recycled things must surpass the original material in terms of their qualities. Upcycling encompasses several positive aspects. It provides: a careful attitude to nature due to the absence of the need to manufacture new material for the product; disposal of an excessive amount of old clothes; the opportunity to earn through savings resources.

In the past, upcycling was the result of not having some items or clothes during a difficult economic period. Currently, it has become the result of their excessive number and negative impact on the environment. A significant number of «second hand» trade networks in Europe and Ukraine are a confirmation of the excess amount of used clothing.

Upcycling has become quite popular in the world. Currently, the most famous designers and brands offer clothing collections made from used items and materials: Stella McCartney, Dolce&Gabbana, Vivienne Westwood, Patagonia, Ksenia Shnaider, etc.

For the upcycling of new products, the following directions are used: combining existing structures of used clothes with each other, using the method of destruction to create new forms of the product [3]; applying of used clothes only as material for making new ones; development of new clothing construction by combining used and new materials; the use of recycled materials (fabrics, accessories, decorations) as raw materials for the production of new products; the use of residues or waste from textile or sewing production as a basis for the manufacture of new products; creation of new clothes on the basis of used ones with its renewal with additional elements (pockets, lace, appliqué, print-illustration, etc.) [1, 5].

For the design of children's range products, the method of using used denim clothes as a material for creating new clothes was chosen, which makes it possible to reduce the price of products, to green the process of their production, and to apply patchwork technology (Fig. 1).



Fig. 1. Models of children's denim clothes made in the patchwork technique

A feature of the proposed models is the raw edges of the products (the bottom of the sleeve, vest, skirt, jacket and pants), which is relevant for denim. The patchwork technology allows to easily adjust the length along the products bottom and the sleeve bottom by sewing additional patchwork segments to the raw sections as needed. Adjusting the products length is especially relevant for children's clothes, which does not wear out due to the rapid growth of the child.

Thus, the environmental situation demands from the fashion industry new approaches in the design and manufacture of clothes, which will contribute to minimizing the harmful impact on the environment and satisfying consumers needs. At the same time, the requirements for the aesthetic component of clothing are only increasing.

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ПЕЧВОРК ЯК ВИД АПСАЙКЛІНГУ В ТВОРЧИХ РОБОТАХ СТУДЕНТІВ

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Постановка проблеми. В останні роки апсайклінг (творче вторинне використання) перетворився на модний тренд. Апсайклінг — це процес творчого перетворення відходів, побічних продуктів, непотрібних товарів у витвори мистецтва, побутові вироби, аксесуари, одяг [1]. На