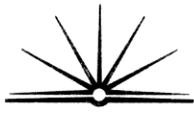




Question 15

a) Computer aided designs and computer aided cutting machines are technological advances that have impacted on the production of textile items.

b) Computer aids have saved money and time for the textile industry. By having Computer aided designs it means less staff on the job and it is faster. A computer can work much faster and "think" faster than any human. With less staff the government saves money and also the people operating the computers would not have to work as long hours. Also a computer aided design can place/layout a pattern to minimise the wastage of material once again



saving money. The computer aided cutting machine can also work faster than the human hand and so the human operator would not have to spend as many hours on the job. The technological advances have not only ^{benefitted} ~~benefited~~ the government/ textile industry but also the consumer. If the manufacturer can produce an item/good for half the price then the consumer is paying less ~~the~~ ~~to~~ for the product purchased.