

ELA 8 Unit 3- Working Conditions  
Activity 1 - Four Corners Statements

**Four Corners Statements Activity Handout**  
**Working Conditions**

Because all wages and the cost of living are lower in Bangladesh, it is fair that the average hourly wage for a garment worker there is \$0.24 while in the United States it is \$8.25.

It is never fair to have children younger than 16 working in factories, even if their parents give permission.

It is the responsibility of the governments of other countries, not U.S. companies, to make sure the garment factories are safe. Governments in other countries should pass and enforce laws to protect their citizens.

U.S. consumers have some responsibility for poor working conditions and low wages in garment factories in other countries, because they demand cheap clothes and don't demand that companies provide fair working conditions to the people who make those clothes.



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