Assignment

Think about how different groups of people mentioned in the article are affected by the global travels of the t-shirt and its component material, cotton. Are their lives different than they would be without globalization? How? Do you think each group of people views the changes, in the short term, as positive—does it make them better off? Share your responses in this chart.

Group of people	Effect of globalization	Positive, neutral, or negative?
	How are these people's lives changed by the international travels of the t-shirt and its component material?	Mark + if you think this group is likely to view the change as positive; 0 if neutral; - if negative; note why you think so
Cotton farmers	Farmers in Lubbock are able to sell their cotton in markets around the	+
in Lubbock, Texas, USA	world, including China, for use elsewhere in the world, such as Switzerland. This way, farmers can earn more money than they would by selling only in the USA.	In short term American cotton growers most likely view the changes brought by globalization as positive because it has allowed them to access new markets, earn more income and expand their business.
Cotton farmers in	The cotton farmers in Senegal and	-
Senegal and Mali	Mali don't have the same opportunities as U.S. farmers have, government subsides, high-tech machinery or pesticides.	In short term, the impact of globalization on cotton farmers in Senegal and Mali is negative. They have limited access to international markets due to the lack of advanced technology and inability to sell their cotton at a competitive price. This limits their profits and makes it difficult for them to compete with cotton producers in the U.S.

Factory workers in	Globalization has created employment	0
Shanghai, China	opportunities for young women in developing countries, allowing them to support themselves and their families. However, these jobs often require long hours and low pay, leading to concerns about exploitation and poor working conditions	In short term, the impacts of globalization on factory workers in Shanghai are mixed. The majority of workers in China work under sweatshop-like conditions, which is a violation of human rights. But in the same time cotton manufacturing brought women empowerment in all parts of the world where it travelled, led to economic and social liberation of women from the farm.
Factory workers in	Effect of Globalization: the increased	_
Germany or the	competition from low-wage countries has led to the closure of many	In short term, workers in Germany
United States	factories in Germany and U.S. resulting in job loss and skills mismatch.	who lost their jobs due to globalization could view the changes as negative due to the lack of skills on other working areas.
Consumers in Zurich, Switzerland	Swiss consumers buy 40% less than the t-shirts from Germany sold within the same store.	In short term, Swiss consumers benefit from lower prices of t-shirts produced in low-wage countries, but they are mindful about the ethical implications of globalization and the impact on labor and environmental standards.
Physically disabled	The specific reusing company makes	+
people and those	an exertion to contract impeded individuals, such as the physically	The globalization has had positive
affected by AIDS in	debilitated individuals and individuals influenced by AIDS	impact on lives of disabled and people affected by AIDS, as it has
Venice, Italy		provided them increased job opportunities and social integration. In short term, the

		changes have made these groups better off.
Senegalese traders	Second-hand clothes are imported at exceptionally low costs, so Senegalese traders can bear to purchase them in awesome amounts.	The globalization has had positive impact on Senegalese traders creating thousands of jobs for them providing access to low-cost used clothing to sell in local markets.
Senegalese workers	In Senegal thousands of people has found jobs by second-hand clothing industry. But thousands of employments at the local clothing companies have been misplaced due to the reduced demand for locally produced clothes.	Globalization has both positive and negative impact on this group of people. Some of the Senegalese workers have found job opportunities in the second-hand industry while others lost it in the local textile companies.
The multi-national	With the rise of the globalization the	+
corporation that designs and sells	MNCs have been able to take advantages of the access to cheap labor and production resources in	In short term the impact of globalization is positive for the
the t-shirt	developing countries.	MNCs