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Chapter 6 Review

1. The difference between natural and manufactured fibers is natural fibers are found in nature and they come from plants or animal sources. Manufactured fibers are made in a chemist's laboratory.

Examples of natural fibers:

- Alpaca – member of the Llama family found in Andes Mountains in South America
- Angora – Rabbit hair
- Camel hair – Camel
- Cashmere – Kashmir goat
- Goose down – Goose

Examples of manufactured fibers:

- Rayon
- Spandex
- Nylon

- Acrylic
- Polyester

2. To counteract the effects of manufactured fibers in the market place, the natural fiber industry have become more aggressive about developing new uses for their products. They have also begun to aggressively promote themselves. Cotton which is usually a warm weather fiber is now used as a year-round fiber. Also, wool which was designed to be worn in cold weather, is now made in new lightweight fiber suitable for year-round wear. Because of advanced technology and innovative chemical processing, natural fibers are given special finishes so they are equal to manufactured fibers.
3. The production for most fabrics begin with the creation of yarn from fibers. Fibers can't be made into fabrics without first spinning or twisting them into yarn. Yarn is then woven or knit into greige goods or unfinished fabrics. Greige goods are converted into finished fabrics for consumer or industrial use.
4. Due to an increase in fiber, yarn and fabric imports the American textile industry has gone through a dramatic change. Some of the major trends are global competition, increasing exports and increased government regulations. By producing some goods abroad domestic manufacturers can defend themselves against competition.

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Extra Credit

1. Before official action can be taken, there is an excessive formality and routine required which is called red tape. "Red tape is an extremely negative connotation regarding rules set on companies by the government which are considered by most to be redundant and hinder the company's growth" (ddiwork.com). With so many rules and regulations it's an advantage that Partnerships have less red tape than a corporation. Small businesses and independent contractors would find themselves in difficult situations like time wasted and rising cost because of red tape. This can be a huge set back when every dollar can go towards the growth of the company.

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