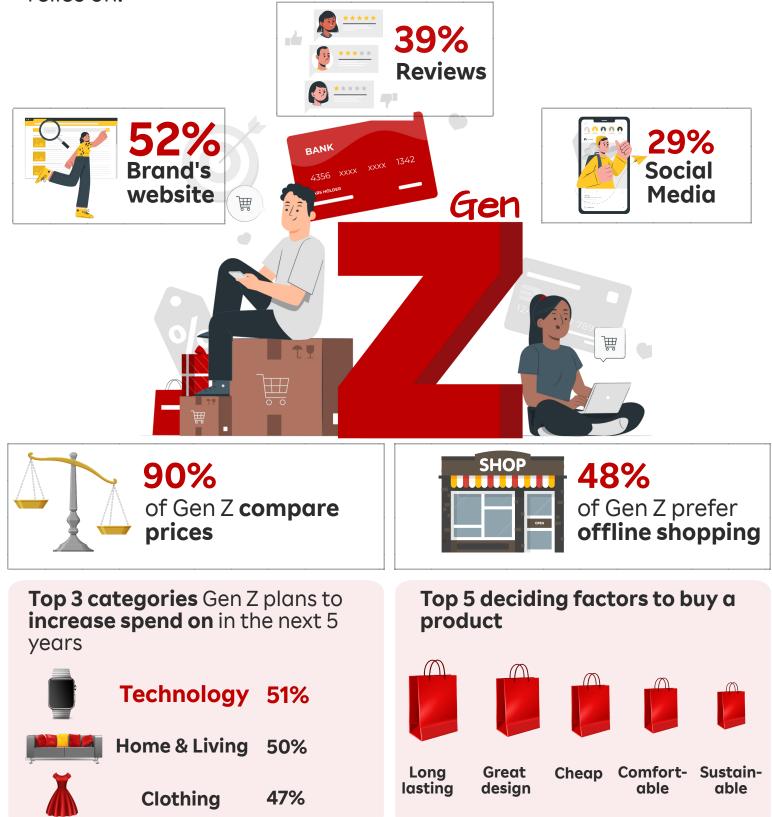
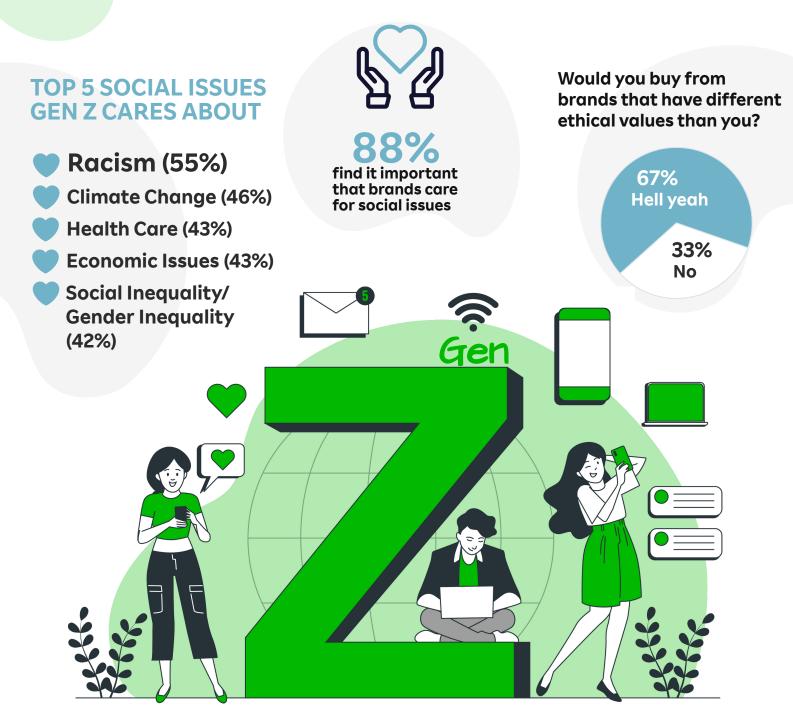
The Next Generation Rakuten of Buyers: Gen Z

When **researching before making a purchase**, Gen Z primarily relies on:



Gen Z takes Social Responsibility





WINTERESTING FACTS

Top 5 Social Issues to get involved in:

Racism (37%) Climate Change (32%) Gender Inequality (30%) Health Care (28%) Social Inequality (27%) Who identified as **non-binary** (no gender identification) is twice as interested in social issues, as the binary gender.

60% of Non-binary care for social issues, while it's 40% of women, and 34% of men. How should brands contribute to social causes?

Donate to charities (59%)

 Public statement about purpose and ethics (55%)

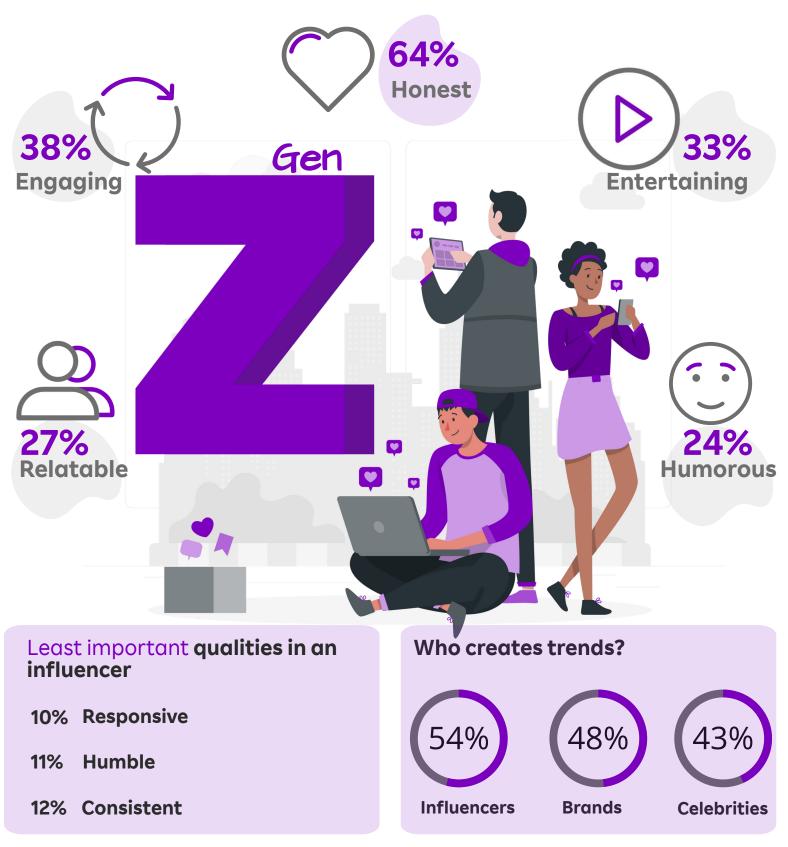
Inclusive marketing (in favor

of the non-binary group) (42%)



Under the influence: How Gen Z perceives influencers

Most valued **qualities in an influencer** according to Gen Z:



Gen Z - The Rise of Rakuten Sustainable Shopping

TOP 5 PLACES TO SHOP FOR SUSTAINABLE 69% PRODUCTS **Offline in physical** 48% stores of Gen Z finds **Online on** 35% marketplaces sustainable **Online from** shopping* 33% B A brands relevant 33% In apps **Online on social** 14% media (Instagram, Facebook) Gen

*e.g. second hand, conscious brands

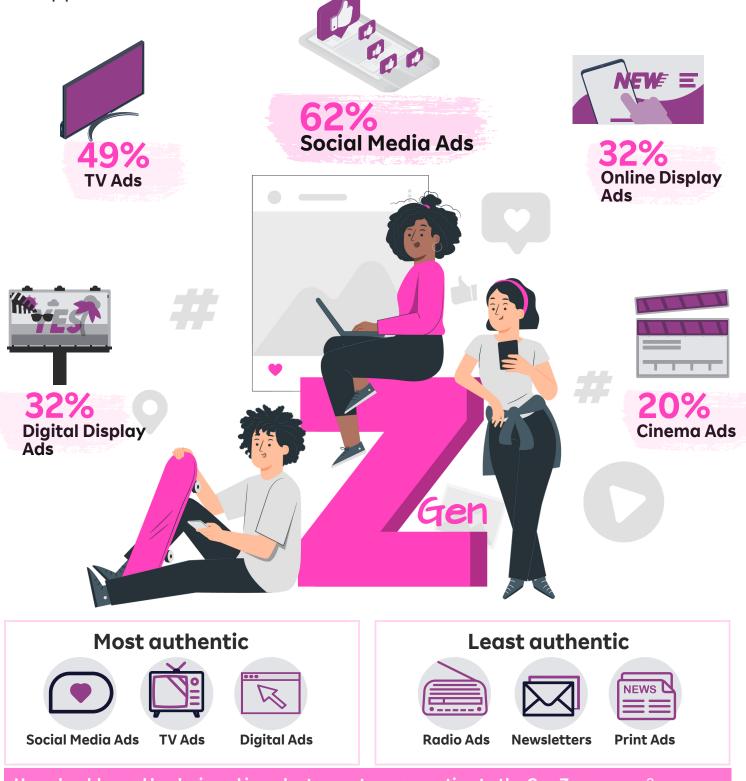
TOP 3 PRIORITIES WHEN BUYING A PRODUCT



Gen Z is a **price-conscious group of buyers** - although 69% of respondents state that **sustainable shopping is important** to them, the priorities when making a purchase decision are clear: **price, quality, design** - followed by sustainability and brand image.

How to Reach Gen Z through Promotion and Ads

Most effective advertisements formats to reach the next generation of shoppers



How should an ad be designed in order to create a connection to the Gen Z consumer?

Ads should be **educational**: present hard facts of the product or service. Ads should **create an emotional connection**. Ads should be done **in cooperation with celebrities or influencers**.