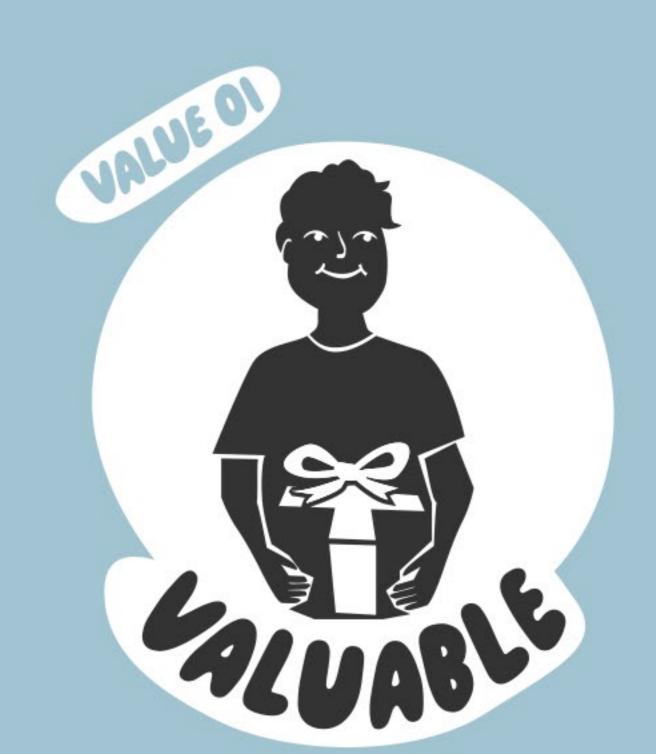


## Sustainable Buyers' Values

## To tackle issues of electronic waste



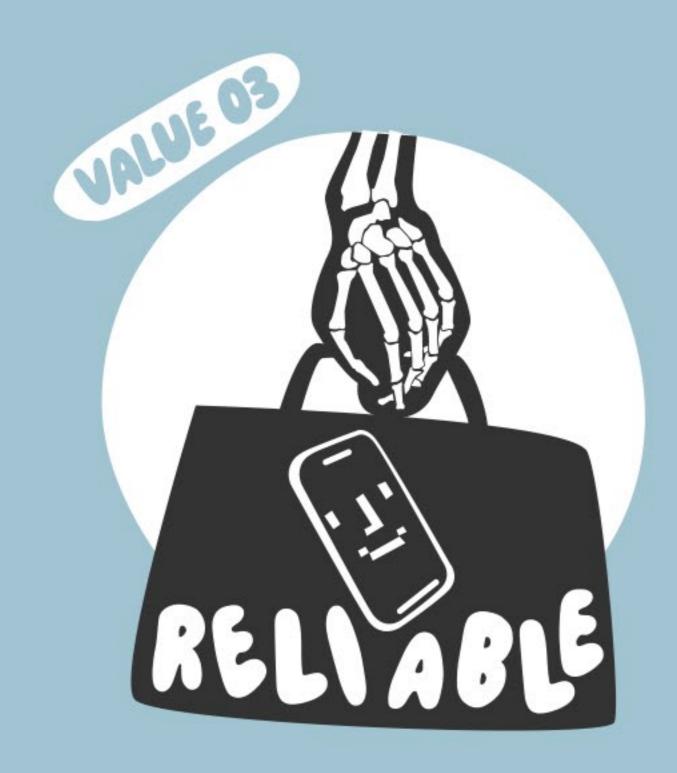
Does it offer exceptional value for your situation?

- Research the product and read user reviews
- Consider whether you'll find it useful in a year
- If excited about buying, give it a rest for a day and re-visit
- Look around at alternatives in the same category
- Q 'product' reviews
- Q 'product' alternatives



Do the manufacturer's practices align with your values?

- Keep in mind, most companies will try to convince you they're squeaky clean even when their supply chains aren't
- Research their human rights and environmental reptations
- Read independent, unsponsored material to avoid bias
- Q 'brand' environmental practices
- Q 'brand' human rights



Will the product last a long time without breaking down often?

- Find brands that have a reputation for reliability
- Be prepared to spend a bit more than the bare minimum
- Research user reviews to see if people are experiencing issues
- Choose products with competitive warranties
- Q 'product' reliability / 'brand' reliability
- Q 'product' reviews



Are there clear repair options for the product?

- Research the manufacturer's warranty repair processes
- Find out its repairability score on www.ifixit.com if the product is unscored, research elsewhere how difficult it might be to repair
- Research third-party repair options for out-of-warranty service
- Q 'product' repairability / 'product' repairs
- Q www.ifixit.com



Is it made of recyclable materials and easy to take apart?

- A high repairability score on www.ifixit.com usually equates to a higher recyclability, thanks to being easier to take apart
- Choose easily dismantled products over ones that are designed in an inherently unsustainable manner
- Choose products that are constructed of more highly recyclable materials, i.e. metal over plastic
- Q 'product' recycling / 'brand' recycling
- Q www.ifixit.com

