

Mind Map: Cause & Consequence — The Aral Sea Crisis

- Q1. Why does this issue exist?
- Q2. What will happen if this issue persists?

This mind mapping worksheet helps learners to trace an issue down to its true origins whilst simultaneously understanding how these root causes are linked to large-scale impacts. Once this analysis is complete, learners can then respond to the origins of identified problems by strategizing solutions to the root causes instead of solutions to the symptoms of a deeper problem. The consequence analysis helps learners think of ways to frame their solutions to these issues in ways that would appeal to different actors including policy makers, consumers, citizens and civil society organizations.

Instructions:

Write the issue you are investigating in the centre box.

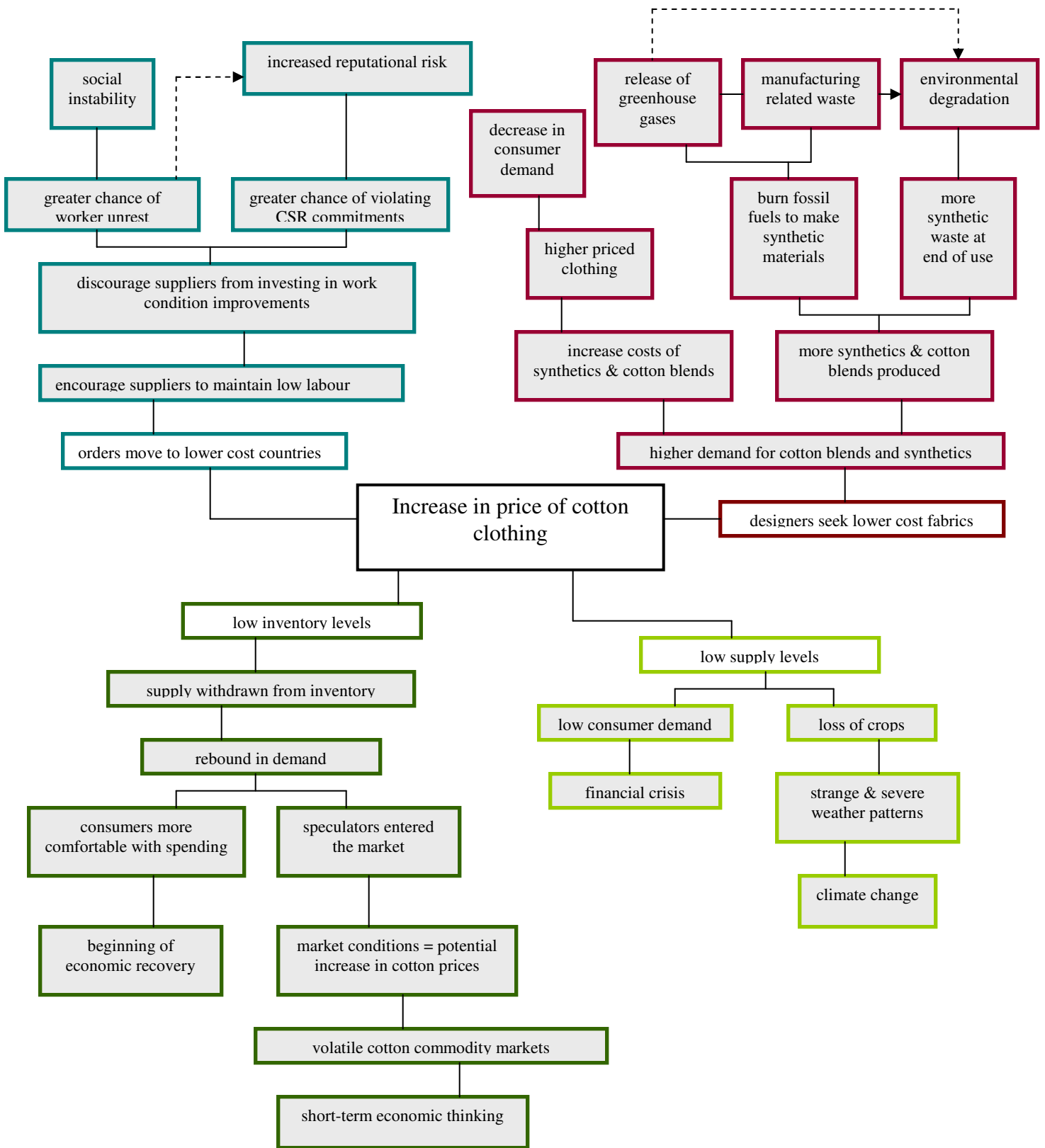
Causes	Consequences
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To find the root cause of this issue, ask yourself, ‘why does this issue exist?’ Write your response in the first level below your issue box.2. Repeat this question with your first response. Write your answer in the second level.3. Repeat until you can no longer answer this question. The final level responses are the root causes!	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. To understand the impact of your issue, ask yourself, ‘what will happen if this issue persists?’ Write your response in the first level above your issue box.2. Repeat this question with your first response. Write your answer in the second level.3. Repeat until you can no longer answer this question. The final level responses are your large-scale consequences!

Example // [Cocoa, Coffee and Cotton](#), by Nadira Lamrad

Look at the cause-consequence analysis on the following page of [Cocoa, Coffee and Cotton](#), a post published on SocialAlterations.com in December 2010.



-----Consequences-----



-----Causes-----

