The Dressing – Dupes – by Marcy Lytle

I hear everywhere and see pictures of influencers showing their "dupes" for the real thing…like a quilted bag for less instead of an expensive one for more. Or an incredibly fuzzy comfy blanket for mere dollars, compared to the plush ones that cost your month's savings. I like hearing and seeing about the dupes, sometimes. But most of the time I don't really care about those expensive brands, because often they aren't even anything I'd care to own. But sometimes…it's fun to compare.

I'm not a name brand shopper, and I haven't found that discounted clothes are inferior. I do enjoy a good sale, a new way of styling something, or a great deal…because getting dressed is a creative outlet that's just plain fun!

Here are my dupes…but not really…for the month of February…because they're just fun shopping.

A white sweater – This is a closet staple, in my opinion. White makes me feel so fresh, and if it's a cable knit, that makes it even more fun. Found this one at Ross.

Waffle weave – This red/pink combo is from Amazon and so great for winter/summer whiplash which is what we have here in Central Texas! Sometimes all in 24 hours!

Colorful earrings – This pair is from Zara, a place that has such cool earwear! I found them before Christmas and send the link to my husband, and he bought them.

Hues of blue – A great winter to spring color that can be worn with neutrals and browns now, and onto whites and pinks then! I think blue looks good on everyone!

Red accessories – Great for Valentine's Day! Red glasses, a red scarf, red earrings – whatever you have or want to wear! Madewell has the best scarves, Amazon has fun packs of reading glasses, and red lanterns – this one is from Target!

Pretty coat – Do you have a colorful coat in your closet, or just black or brown? Now's the time they're sure to be on sale…so snag one that you'll keep forever for those cloudy days that you need to smile.

A new dress – H&M is a good place to find dresses on sale – this one was about twenty bucks! It's flowy, long, feminine and floral – all the pretty things for this time of year. I wore it at Christmas, and I'm wearing it again now.

Who needs a dupe when you can find all sorts of deals all around you, if you enjoy the thrill of the hunt. I do!