

UNIT

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Digital Citizenship

Student Packet • Grades 9-12



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Feeling On Display

Directions

Watch the video, “**Feeling On Display**,” then answer the following questions as a group. Be prepared to share your answers with the rest of the class.

Part I: Pressure

- Marco says that people try to “prove something” with the photos they post online. What do you think he means by this? Do you agree?
- Zara says that girls worry about their image all the time – whether online or offline – and that they face more pressure than guys. Do you agree? Why or why not?

Part II: Judgment

- Carla says that regardless of gender, all teens judge one another. Do people judge how each other look and act online? Does it differ for boys and girls? If so, how does it differ?
- What do you think of Claudia’s statement that it’s easy to judge other people online because, “You have the safety net of being in front of a screen – you’re not face to face”?

Part III: Comments

- Both Linh and Leah talked about receiving compliments online. What do you think of what they said? Do people fish for compliments online? How might photos and photo comments boost people’s self-esteem?
- Do you think that people react differently to a “selfie” taken by a girl versus a “selfie” taken by a boy? Why or why not? (*Note: The term “selfie” is used to describe when someone takes a picture of themselves, either by holding a camera towards them or by using a mirror.*)

Part IV: Double Standards

- Do you think that a double standard exists between boys and girls when it comes to online appearance? If so, what are they?
- Randy says, “Some guys try to play the macho role without necessarily posting pictures of themselves flexing. ... It’s much more subtle but it’s still there.” What do you think he means by this? Do you agree?

Lesson Assessments

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1. In the video *Feeling on Display* that your class watched, Claudia says, “There’s absolutely a double standard ... for girls, especially.” What did she mean by this statement?
- a) In the same situation, people would treat girls and boys equally.
 - b) Girls post double the amount of photos that boys do.
 - c) In the same situation, people would treat a girl differently than a boy.
2. Which of the following is NOT an example of how someone might feel “on display” because of digital and social media?
- a) Valeria receives comments on an Instagram she took of a tree at a park.
 - b) Fiona asks her friend to take a photo again because she didn’t look good in the first one.
 - c) Ben gets 35 “Likes” on a photo that he posted of himself shirtless.
 - d) Michael uses a computer program to erase pimples he has in a photo before making it his profile picture.
3. True or False: It’s more common for girls to worry about other people posting ugly photos of themselves online than for boys to.
- a) True
 - b) False

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