

Youth VIEWS

Airbrushing and digital manipulation of celebrities' pictures is the norm in magazines these days. Does it matter that they print misleading images? Do you think it makes people, especially young people, feel they have to live up to an unachievable ideal of beauty? Why or why not?



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I don't see what's wrong with editing pictures, but people shouldn't feel like they have to live up to anyone else's image of beauty. They should be content with the way they are.



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It does matter because it affects young people and the way they act. Girls think they need long hair to be pretty and to be super beautiful to be famous.



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It does matter. Young people do feel like they have to live up to some ideal. It's hard to ignore the ridiculous stereotypes that the media creates.



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Teens wear more make up, use more hair-styling techniques and wear more revealing clothing because magazines make it normal to look fake. Maybe if magazines were more real, teenagers would be too.



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It is false advertisement. Young girls feel they have to wear this or look like that when in reality, the images they see in magazines are fake. Give me an article on how to be healthy, not skinny.



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I strongly believe it does matter. These images instill a great lack of confidence in young people, especially girls, who feel the need to live up to this "false ideal of beauty."



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Teens look up to celebrities and try to copy their looks and styles. If magazines show airbrushed images, then teens will try to be like them but it won't happen because it's not real beauty.