

Miss Representation & the Mask You Live In

Pre-Viewing Questions

The media is any form of mass communication, and includes things like TV, internet, apps, video games, movies, etc.

1. Which types of media do you use most often?
2. About how many hours out of each day do you spend connected to the media in some way?
3. How are women represented in the media? (Characteristics, roles they play, actions, etc.)
4. How are men represented in the media? (Characteristics, roles they play, actions, etc.)
5. What kind of pressures do you feel from your peers, the media, etc. to be, look, or act a certain way based on your gender?



While Viewing: *Miss Representation*

Things that stood out to me: *(notes that will help you remember the documentary)*

Connections

(To your life/experiences, to a movie/tv show you've seen, or a book/article you've read)

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Questions I have

(Something you'd like to ask anyone in the film/question you have about the content/something that confused you, etc.)

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After Viewing Questions for *Miss Representation*

Instructions: Answer the following questions in complete sentences. Make sure to back your opinion or viewpoint with evidence from the documentary or your own life experiences.

1. Do you think that this documentary was accurate about the issues it discussed and portrayed? Explain.



MISS
REPRESENTATION
a documentary film by Jennifer Siebel Newsom



2. How much do you think we absorb societal views about women's bodies? Explain.
3. Is there a double standard for men's and women's bodies? Explain why you think there is/is not.
4. Do you think things are getting better for women? Staying the same? Getting worse? Why? (give evidence from your experiences, etc.)

While Viewing: **The Mask You Live In**

Things that stood out to me: *(notes that will help you remember the documentary)*

Connections

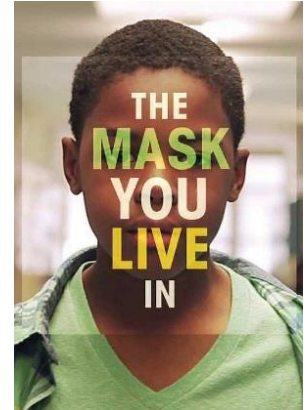
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After Viewing Questions for **The Mask You Live In**

Instructions: Answer the following questions in complete sentences. Make sure to back your opinion or viewpoint with evidence from the documentary or your own life experiences.

1. What is meant by “the mask you live in”?



2. Based on the documentary and/or your own experience, do you agree that boys are made to wear a mask? Why/why not? How is it the same or different for girls?

3. Do you think that hyper-masculinity harms boys? Why and how?

4. What does the saying “boys will be boys” mean to you? Are there any problems with this saying?

