

Self-Image and Identity

I can describe ways in which people might make themselves look different online.

Outcome Criteria

- I know that people can choose different pictures online to what they actually look like in real life.
- I can explain why someone might want to change their appearance online.
- I can describe ways in which people might make themselves look different online.

Questions To Ask

- What ways can people be different to us online?
- How might someone show they are different to us online?
- Physical appearance - How could someone show things about their physical appearance online? Why might someone want to do this? Why might they not? Why would someone want to show a different physical appearance online to how they actually look offline?
- What is a profile picture? What might you include in it? What can you change about it?
- How can you change your appearance online?
- If you hid your face, what questions could your friend ask to determine that you are really you? What is most striking about you? Which bits of our identity do we include online, and which bits do we keep offline?

Activity Descriptor

Activity: Me and My Avatar

Preparation: Check the presentation displays properly. Provide blank paper or prepare online app for the activity at slide 3 if required.

Task

There are 5 slides in the presentation. **Slide 2** is a whole group conversation to gauge understanding of what an avatar is and what it can be used for. At **slide 3**, pupils each design their own avatar (on paper or using an app). At **slide 4**, the avatars are displayed and students try to identify whose avatar is whose. **Slide 5** is roundup discussion - what was surprising about the activity, what did students learn?



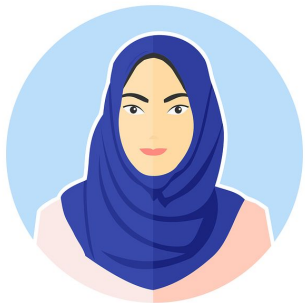
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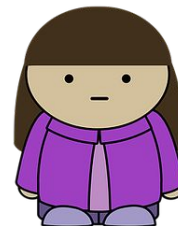
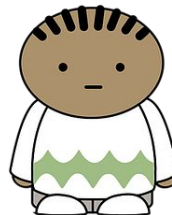
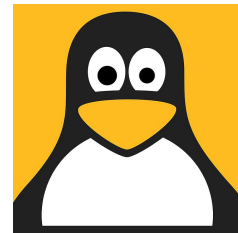
Me and My Avatar

How you appear online





What is an avatar?



Create your avatar





Who's who?

Can you match up each pupil to their avatar?



Ryan



Sally

About avatars

What can you tell about someone from looking at their avatar?

Is an avatar supposed to look like you?

Is it possible to have more than one avatar?

Can you change your avatar?

