

Personal appearance



▶ Dialogue

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B. Sounds like Mike. Is it?

A. Yes, it is. You describe someone we both know.

B. Right. She's not very tall and she's quite plump. She's got blonde hair, but I don't know what color her eyes are.

A. Is she attractive? I don't think I know anyone like that.

B. Well, I don't find her attractive, but I'm sure you would disagree.

A. I like slim girls, so I doubt I would find a plump girl attractive. You'll have to give me some more information.



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B. She's got tiny feet and wears really unfashionable shoes. In fact, she wears unfashionable clothes too.

A. This doesn't sound like anyone I know. I give up. Tell me who she is.

B. She's your mother!

A. How embarrassing! I don't even recognise a description of my own mother! How important do you think appearance is?

B. I think that unfortunately it's more important than a person's character. Advertising and stuff tells us that we have to be attractive. I think it's wrong, but that's the way the world is now.

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1. I like girls who aren't too slim.
2. Have you gained weight recently?
3. I'm getting a bit plump.
4. He has a mustache, but no beard.
5. I don't know what color her eyes are.
6. How important do you think appearance is?
7. I like men who are hunky and well-dressed.



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▶ Vocabularies

Figure – A model of a bodily form (especially of a person)

Example: "he made a figure of Santa Claus"

Stocky – Having a short and solid form or stature

Example: "stocky legs"

Plump – Sufficiently fat so as to have a pleasing fullness of figure

Example: "pleasingly plump"

Stature – High level of respect gained by impressive development or achievement

Example: "a man of great stature"

Hunky – A well-built sexually attractive man

Example: "I love hunky men!"

Bald – Lacking hair on all or most of the scalp

Example: "a bald-headed gentleman"

▶ Phrases

- Change hairstyle
- Be well-built
- Gain/ lose weight
- Be brown eyed
- Weigh 60 kilos
- Have brown hair