

LET ME TAKE A SELFIE

Activity 1: Warm-up

Work in pairs. Look at these photos and discuss where, why and how people are taking selfies. Share your ideas with the group.



What is a selfie? Write a definition.

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Discuss the following questions:

Do you take selfies? Why do/don't you take selfies? How many selfies have you taken so far?

How often do you take selfies?

What do you do with your selfies? Do you post them online?

Do your friends take selfies?

Do you have a selfie stick?

Do you know any celebrities who take and post a lot of selfies?

Why are selfies so popular now? Think of three reasons:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

How (not) to take a perfect selfie - Write some DOs and DON'Ts of taking a selfie:

DOs	DON'Ts

Here you can find some help:



Activity 2: Watching & reading - Famous selfies**2A: Do you know any famous selfies?**

Watch the film. Who took a selfie? Where was it?

**2B: Reading****Before reading:****1. Listen to the definitions, match them with the words and write them down.**

WORD	DEFINITION
antics	
eager	
inappropriate	
memorial service	
to mourn	

Definitions: <http://www.oxforddictionaries.com/>

2. Match the words (1-7) with their definitions (A-G).

	WORD		DEFINITION
1.	to resist	A	a strong negative reaction by a large number of people, especially to a social or political development
2.	cheesy grin	B	to circulate rapidly and widely from one Internet user to another
3.	to maintain	C	to not reach a particular level or to fail to achieve something that you were trying to do
4.	to fall short of	D	to withstand the action or effect of
5.	to confound	E	to cause or enable (a condition or situation) to continue
6.	to go viral	F	a broad but possibly insincere smile
7.	backlash	G	to cause surprise or confusion in (someone), especially by not according with their expectations

Definitions A,B,D,E,G: <http://www.oxforddictionaries.com/>

Definition C: <http://www.macmillandictionary.com/>

Definition E: <http://www.thefreedictionary.com/>

3. Read the article and answer the questions:

1. What's the topic of this article?
2. Who took a selfie during a memorial service in Johannesburg?
3. Did Michelle Obama take a selfie?
4. Did Michelle Obama talk to the Danish PM?
5. According to the text, was Obama's selfie inappropriate?
6. Do you think it was inappropriate?

2C: Fill the gaps with the words from the exercise 2B. Put them into the correct form where necessary.

1. Her rude behaviour was entirely
2. Obama's selfie on social media.
3. How can I the temptation to eat sweets?
4. I am fed up with your childish
5. I had a big on my face when the photographer took the photo.

Activity 3: Reading

Before reading:



Are you an early bird or a night owl?
Do you like waking up early?
If yes, what kind of alarm clock do you use?
Has it ever happened to you that your alarm clock hasn't gone off?

Snap Me Up Alarm Clock Requires You To Take A Selfie To Turn It Off

Are you a **sleepyhead** who finds it difficult to arise from your **slumber** in the morning, but readily snaps awake to take a selfie any time of day? If you answered yes, then Snap Me Up — an alarm clock that will not **switch off** until you click a selfie — just might be the app you have been looking for. No more **snooze** buttons. This alarm will try to **prevent** you **from** stealing extra minutes of sleep. You have to click a selfie for the alarm to shut off as Snap Me Up ensures you rise and shine!

"Have you ever wondered how do you look when you wake up? Snap Me Up allows you to set alarms in an easy and elegant way, that have to be turned off taking a picture of your face!" noted the app description. Snap Me Up is the brainchild of Italian developer Michael Fabozzi, who has taken selfie creativity to another level — by morphing it into an alarm that does not shut up until it sees your face. Setting up the alarm is easy once you install the Android app. Simply tap the red button and choose the mode and time. [...] Timers for **naps** also exist for five minutes or more. There is also an in-built face detection feature that prevents the user from playing tricky and clicking a blurred selfie. The camera option can also be set to make it face either the rear or front. In case you were wondering what happens to the selfies, they get saved to an album called "My sleepy snaps." Not only will you wake up on time — thanks to Snap Me Up — but you will also have a funny collection of photos that are worth some **chuckles**. [...]

Author of the article: Anu Passary, Tech Times

Source: <http://www.techtimes.com/articles/51878/20150511/snap-me-up-alarm-clock-up-requires-you-to-take-a-selfie-to-turn-it-off.htm>

3A: Read the text and decide if sentences are true (T) or false (F).

1. You have to take a selfie in order to turn off the alarm clock. T/F
2. The selfie has to show your face. T/F
3. You can't use this application for a short sleep. T/F
4. Selfies taken by the application Snap Me Up are deleted afterwards. T/F

3B: Vocabulary: Match the words (1-7) with their definitions (A-G).

1.	sleepyhead	A	sleep for a short period of time, especially during the day
2.	slumber	B	to turn an electrical device off
3.	to switch off	C	a short sleep, usually during the day
4.	snooze	D	used for referring to someone, especially a child, when they have been sleeping and have started to wake up
5.	to prevent from	E	sleep
6.	nap	F	to laugh quietly, especially in a private or secret way
7.	to chuckle	G	to stop something from happening

Definitions A,C,D,E,F,G: <http://www.macmillandictionary.com/>

Definition B: <http://www.oxforddictionaries.com/>

3C: Find synonyms

sleep	slumber	nap	switch off
chuckle	turn off	laugh	snooze

3D: Match words to make phrasal verbs and expressions

1.	prevent	A	up
2.	set	B	from
3.	turn	C	the alarm clock
4.	wake	D	off

What do you think of this application? Do you like this idea?

Would you like to install it on your mobile phone?

Activity 4: Watching & listening - Is your Facebook profile picture a selfie? – Jimmy Kimmel Live

Before watching: Work in pairs. Discuss with your partner if your Facebook profile picture is a selfie. Ask your partner the following questions and write down your and his or her answers.

Questions:	Me	My partner
Is your Facebook profile picture a selfie?		
When did you take it?		
Where did you take it?		
Why did you take it?		



Is your Facebook profile picture a selfie?

Listen and note down the names and jobs of the pedestrians. Are their profiles pictures selfies? Write ✓ for YES and X for NO. Write down what audience says. What do you think?

Name	Job	Selfie		
		you	audience	pedestrian

Vocabulary revision:



Who wants to be a millionaire?



Quiz



Noughts and crosses