Standards of Beauty

Discuss what assumptions you would make about someone based upon each of the following characteristics:

Men	Women
balding	very short hair
glasses	nose ring
acne	heavy makeup
dark skin tone	glasses
overweight	overweight
long hair	dental braces
earrings	no makeup

- 1. Where do we get our perceptions of beauty?
- 2. How have beauty standards changed over the years?
- 3. Why do you think women are willing to pay for overpriced beauty products?
- 4. Do you think the cosmetics and fashion industry thrive by making women feel insecure about their appearance?
- 5. Women are often targeted by images of beautiful women in the media (on TV, in magazines, on billboards, etc). Do you think the media plays a major role in women's insecurities?

You can see the whole lesson from your teacher, please ask them to send it to you before the class.

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