Overview:

Diva App

Why use this app?

Many people in the world in which we live are obsessed with the way they look, celebrity focus and fast living lifestyles. This App will help you to look at true beauty, to unpack the things that are important in life and highlight the importance of accepting yourselves as beautiful and special people in the eyes of God.

How do I use it?

The App is split into five programmes. Each one should take four to six hours.

The programmes:

The Catwalk In the Eye of the Beholder Welcome to Hollywood Miss Congeniality The Real You (Fashion) (Beauty) (Celebrity and fame) (Personality) (Masks)

Each programme presents you with a challenge. Here are the five challenges from the Diva App:

Your Challenge:	The Catwalk: (Fashion) Fashion is all around us and ever changing. Explore Fashion in relation to who you are and what you like.		
Your Challenge:	In the Eye of the Beholder: (Beauty) Challenge the way in which you look at beauty and the different forms that beauty has.		
Your Challenge:	Welcome to Hollywood: (Celebrity and Fame) Challenge the way you see celebrities and look at the ways they are similar to you.		
Your Challenge:	Miss Congeniality: (Personality) Investigate the different personalities that everyone has and celebrate your ov personality through creative activities.		
Your Challenge:	The Real You: (Masks) Explore the different ways masks can be used and see the impact that some masks have on society.		

The Catwalk: (Fashion)

Fashion is all around us and ever changing. Explore Fashion in relation to who you are and what you like.

Ideas:

These ideas suggest ways in which you might accomplish the challenge, but you may do it any way you like. **You could:**

- Make a scrapbook of clothes for all occasions. Ensure it shows the different clothing that suits your shape, skin tone and hair colour.
- Organise a fashion show for friends and family.
- Design and make an item of clothing. Use recycled fabric if you like.
- Choose a specific fashion designer and research their history and their clothing. Create a report or presentation about their work.
- Put together a clothing budget for the year. Show how you can develop your "wardrobe" while keeping within this budget.

Set the scene:

Think/talk through what the challenge is about. These questions might help you:

- What do you already know about the subject and what else do you need to find out?
- Where might you find out more information?
- What useful skills/contacts do you/other members of your group possess to help with this challenge?
- What difficulties do you think you might face?

Design:

Study some of the information you have gathered and consider how you will complete the challenge.

Who? Do you need anyone to help/train/supervise/advise you?

What? What special equipment/space/advice do you need to complete the challenge?

How much? What costs might be involved and how will this funding be found?

When? Are there any dates or time lines you must set in order to ensure you meet your deadlines?

Investigate the Christian perspective:

Find out what the Bible/other Christians say about this topic.

- Read Luke Ch.12:27-28 and consider what these verses tells us about the craftsmanship of God. Have a discussion about what this tells us about our "wardrobe".
- Search the internet for information about Lydia the seller of purple cloth. Share with others what you have learned about this business woman of biblical times, the importance of purple and how she used her assets to help Paul.

Respond: Make it happen! Put your plan into action and complete the challenge.

Evaluate:

- What do you think you have learnt through working on this challenge?
- Which skills, talents or abilities did you use in your involvement in this project?
- Did your project have an impact on other people and did it help them?
- How has this challenge given you a Christian perspective on issues which you face in everyday life?

In the Eye of the Beholder: (Beauty)

Challenge the way in which you look at beauty and the different forms that beauty has.

Ideas:

These ideas suggest ways in which you might accomplish the challenge, but you may do it any way you like. You could:

- Research some different beauty regimes, choose one that suits you and stick to it for two weeks writing a diary/keeping a photo diary about what you are doing and how it has made a difference.
- Find an object(s) that you think is beautiful and recreate it by making a creative piece of work/taking photographs/creating a scrapbook showing what beauty means to you.
- Invite a beautician/hairdresser/nail artist/makeup artist to talk to you/demonstrate the different ways in which you can look after your outer beauty and over a series of weeks learn different beauty techniques.
- Look for beauty in the natural world and create a PowerPoint/photography display with Bible verses relating to God's hand in creation.

Set the scene:

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A sense of community is important at camps / residential events. What would be your definition of community?

- Read 1 Peter Ch.3:3-4. How does this make you think about beauty?
- Discuss the differences between inner beauty and outer beauty.
- Look at the different ways in which you can look after your inner beauty and make a commitment to do one thing that will help you to sparkle from the inside.

Respond: Make it happen! Put your plan into action and complete the challenge

Evaluate:

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Welcome to Hollywood: (Celebrity and Fame)

Challenge the way you see celebrities and look at the ways they are similar to you.

Ideas:

These ideas suggest ways in which you might accomplish the challenge, but you may do it any way you like. You could:

- Choose a famous Christian celebrity and create a report or a presentation on their life.
- Look at the different charities that celebrities support. Choose one such celebrity/charity and find out more information and raise some money for that charity.
- Create your very own celebrity style magazine for the other young people in your group.
- Read a biography of a celebrity and identify the ways in which, although famous, they are just like you. Share your findings with others in your group.
- Read a number of articles on celebrities in teen magazines and discuss what you think should be printed and what should be kept private. Discuss which aspects of celebrity lifestyle you would like and which you would dislike.

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Investigate the Christian perspective:

Find out what the Bible/other Christians say about this topic.

- Read Joshua Ch.9:9. Think about how God's fame is different to celebrities' fame.
- Read Luke Ch.6:17-23. How popular was Jesus was?
- Produce an interview with Jesus for a celebrity magazine talk about different events in His life/the different things He can do and His popularity with the people.

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Miss Congeniality: (Personality)

Investigate the different personalities that everyone has and celebrate your own personality through creative activities.

Ideas:

These ideas suggest ways in which you might accomplish the challenge, but you may do it any way you like. You could:

- Create a short film clip that shows the real you and your personality.
- Research different personality tests and come up with your own personality teats that the other young people in your group could use.
- Make a piece of creative work that displays your personality.
- Produce a scrapbook/website/memory book/photo album that tells your story revealing the real you!
- Research different films that portray personalities and see which most resembles you.

Set the scene:

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Investigate the Christian perspective:

Find out what the Bible/other Christians say about this topic.

- God is the One who knows you better than anyone else. Read Psalm 139. What does this Psalm tell you (1) About God? (2) About you?
- As honestly as you can say/write down/think what kind of person does God see when he looks at you?
- Create a visual of this Psalm or come up with your own version of what the writer was trying to tell us.

Respond: Make it happen! Put your plan into action and complete the challenge.

Evaluate:

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The Real You: (Masks)

Explore the different ways masks can be used and see the impact that some masks have on society.

Ideas:

These ideas suggest ways in which you might accomplish the challenge, but you may do it any way you like. You could:

- Create and perform a drama either for one person or for a group entitled "Mask".
- Research different masks from all over the world and then design and make a mask of your choice.
- Examine different face masks and face care products you can use and organise a pamper evening for your group to enjoy.
- Identify characters from different soap operas who are metaphorically "wearing a mask" for some reason. Discuss why they are doing this and think of what you would do if you were in their story.

Set the scene:

Think/talk through what the challenge is about. These questions might help you:

- What do you already know about the activity and what else do you need to find out?
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- Read the parable in Luke Ch.18:9-13. How did the two men in the story act in the temple? Why do you think Jesus told this story (verse 9)
- Think about people you have met who have pretended to be what they weren't.
- Think about times when you have "put on an act" and pretended to be or feel different to how you really were.
- Look into a mirror while you have a wee talk to God.

Respond: Make it happen! Put your plan into action and complete the challenge.

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Your chosen challenge:

Ideas:

Outline your idea:

Set the scene:

Jot down your initial thoughts/questions:

Design:

Consider who will be involved, when it will happen, what you will need and how much it will cost etc. Who?

What?

How much?

When?

Investigate the Christian perspective:

Outline how you will find out what the Bible/other Christians say about this topic.

Will you have a specified time every week or one whole evening focused on this aspect of your challenge? Will it be led by visitors/your leader/your chaplain/members of your group?

Respond

Now use the challenge plan on the next page to help you to make it happen!

Work out what will happen each week.

Identify who you will need to help you/who is inviting them/who is leading/who will be involved in each activity etc.

Ensure you will have the resources you will need.

Record the time you are involved each week to keep track of your progress.

Evaluate

Think through how successful you have been by considering the evaluation questions. Record your story in my ${\bf i}$ - ${\bf chievement}$ journal

Diva app – Challenge plan

Challenge plan Date	Activity	Who	What
	What will you do this week?	Who will support you to facilitate this session?	What equipment is needed?
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