

4 Read the article and answer the questions.

- 1 What do Brad Pitt and Keira Knightley have in common?
- 2 How does Lorde feel about her skin?
- 3 What is an important message for young people in Part 1 (lines 1–33) of the article?
- 4 Why was the photographer of the Obama selfie angry with the press?
- 5 Does the writer think the photo of the shark in New York was real? How do we know?

5 In pairs, talk about some of the weird or hilarious photos and video clips you have seen online. How do you know whether they are true or false?

Photos can be taken out of context

When President Obama posed for a selfie with the Danish and British Prime Ministers at Nelson Mandela's funeral, the press went crazy. The photo showed three Heads of State sharing a **light-hearted** moment. Meanwhile, Michelle Obama remained **stony-faced** and appeared unamused. Newspapers around the world thought it was **ill-advised** to pose for a selfie on such a sombre occasion and published it on their front pages.

- However, you can't take everything you read in the press at face value. The photographer responsible for the shot claimed that the press had taken his photo out of context and called it 'a **misleading** image'. He wrote on his blog: 'Photos can lie. In reality, just a few seconds earlier Mrs Obama was joking with those around her.' This is an example of how photos can **manipulate** public opinion. The photograph is **authentic** and the photographer's intention was not to **deceive** the public, but the press saw an opportunity to **sensationalise the story**.

Some photos are doctored

This is the most extreme form of digital alteration, and often just a bit of fun. Photos like this went viral during floods in New York. Real or **doctored**? You decide!



WORD STORE 6A

- 6 **CD-2.33 MP3-86** Complete WORD STORE 6A with the base form of the words in red in the text. Then listen, check and repeat. Are the words verbs (v) or adjectives (adj)?
- 7 Complete the sentences about the text with words or phrases from WORD STORE 6A.
- 1 Journalists and photographers often try to ____.
 - 2 Not all celebrities want to ____ that they are perfect.
 - 3 ____ images can be harmful for young people.
 - 4 The Obama selfie was ____.
 - 5 The photographer described the Obama selfie as ____.
 - 6 The press used the selfie to ____ the public.

WORD STORE 6B

- 8 **CD-2.34 MP3-87** Complete WORD STORE 6B with the underlined phrases with take in the text. Then listen, check and repeat. Add a translation.
- 9 Complete the sentences with phrases from WORD STORE 6B. Then tick the sentences that are true for you.
- 1 I admire people who admit their mistakes and take ____ their actions.
 - 2 I don't realise how much my parents do for me. I just take them ____.
 - 3 I tend to believe what people tell me. I generally take things ____.
 - 4 I think the media manipulate the truth by taking things ____.
 - 5 I don't believe most of the silly stories I read online. I usually take them ____.
 - 6 I'm a perfectionist and like to do my homework well. I take ____ my work.

WORD STORE 6C

- 10 **CD-2.35 MP3-88** Complete WORD STORE 6C with the highlighted compound adjectives in the text. Then listen, check and repeat.
- 11 Complete each question with a contrasting compound adjective. Then, in pairs, ask and answer the questions.
- 1 Are people in your family usually **serious** or ____?
 - 2 Is it **wise** or ____ to believe everything you read in the media?
 - 3 Would you describe your best friend as **naive** or ____?
 - 4 Is it more natural for older people to **have wrinkles** or be ____?
 - 5 Is the chance of your national football team winning the World Cup **likely** or ____?
 - 6 Does your English teacher look **cheerful** or ____ when you don't do your homework?

WORD STORE 6D

- 12 **CD-2.36 MP3-89** Complete WORD STORE 6D with more compound adjectives. Then listen, check and repeat. Write example sentences.