**SPEAKING: GOOD AND UGLY**

**Match the famous “monsters” with their pictures. One of them really existed. Which one?**

1. **The Monster of Dr Frankenstein.** He was created by a scientist from pieces of dead bodies. At first, he was Good and only wanted to love and help others. However, his horrible appearance frightened people and they treated him badly. In the end, he became bad. **🡪 PICTURE Nº3**
2. **The Elephant Man.** When he was born, he was normal. But after he became ill at five, his body began to change into a horrible shape. He became an attraction in travelling shows. Sometimes he was treated very badly. Fortunately, a doctor began to take care of him. Later in life he became a celebrity. He was even Friends with Queen Victoria. **🡪 PICTURE Nº1**
3. **Quasimodo.** He was born deformed and ugly. He was abandoned on the steps of a great church. People always made fun of him. He later fell in love with a beautiful young woman. She loved another who was, obviously, very handsome. But Quasimodo always helped her anyway. **🡪 PICTURE Nº3**

**Response:** The Elephant Man really existed, and the other two monsters are fiction characters.

Erik, just like the three monsters above suffered because of his horrible appearance. What about you? How important is a person’s physical appearance? Talk about this with your partner, and then present your ideas to the class. Use these questions to help you.

1. **Do you want your boyfriend or girlfriend to be attractive?**
2. **How important are the clothes a person wears?**
3. **Do you want your friends to be attractive?**
4. **How do you react to a person who has a serious physical disability?**
5. **How do you think most people in your school react?**

In my opinion, physical appearance is not the most important aspect of people and for that reason, we should not be judged by the first impression.

Firstly, I prefer my partner to be caring and loving than to be a model. It is more important what they feel for you than what they look in the photos.

Then, the clothes a person wears define their style and, more important, their personality. So, I think there is not a good or a bad way of dressing, it’s everyone’s decision.

Finally, I don’t mind if my friends are the most attractive people on earth or if they aren’t very pretty. The aspect that matters to me is the fact that if they are my friends, they need to be by my side when I need them, not only during the happy days but also during the days when I don’t feel good.

A person with a serious physical disability is a person also, so everybody should treat them like one and, of course, do not make laugh of them or point out their disability. Respect and acceptation are the best words to describe the way we all should act. Unfortunately, not everybody wants to understand it.

I think that the question should not be if they are pretty or ugly. It should be if they are loyal and good friends or they are going to turn their back to you when you need them the most. If they are kind and generous people or if they are arrogant and nasty. If they are loving and make you the happiest person in earth or if they don’t care about your feelings.