

Unit 4

Name: _____

Date: _____

Comparison Chart

Title of Selection: Celebrities Good Role Models? No Way!

I AGREE The author and I agree that...	I DISAGREE However, I think...
Possible answers:	Possible answers:
- some sports stars are too violent and might influence some young players	- many young people do not copy behaviour they know is wrong just because a sports hero does it
- some models are too thin and might influence some young girls to diet	- many young models and artists, such as Lorde (Ella Yelich-O'Connor), Malala Yousafzai, and Magan Grassell, understand that several body types are healthy and will influence girls in the right way. For example, Lorde shared two photos of herself, one Photoshopped and one unedited, to remind her Twitter followers that "flaws are ok." --S.G.
- some celebrities endorse products that may not be good for young people	- many celebrities endorse excellent products that are good for young people; (provide specific examples)

1. Overall, do you **agree or disagree** with the author?

State if you agree or disagree and give reasons for your opinion. For example, you may agree that some students who want to be popular may be influenced by inappropriate behavior of celebrities. However, many young people are confident in their values and will not be influenced to behave badly for any reason.

2. What does the author want readers to **think** or **do**? What **evidence** in the selection supports this?

The author wanted to convince the reader that celebrities do not make good role models for young people for many reasons:

- sports stars sometimes are violent and may lead young players to follow suit
- super models are often very thin and unhealthy and may lead young girls to diet excessively just to gain popularity
- some celebrities want to portray a specific personal image and often endorse products that are not good for young people