


More of a Guy *female, age 16*

>> **dear diary:** I have always been somewhat of a tomboy—lifting weights, running, playing soccer, not wearing much makeup, not reading teeny magazines, not gossiping about movie stars. I figured some guys might find that more attractive (having lots of the same interests) than being another dumb blonde. But recently, it came up that I was a pretty “manly” girl and I don’t know what guys think of that. I consider myself to be a devoted athlete and just haven’t found much interest in typical teenage girl things. I mean, what do guys want from girls? What are they looking for? Besides getting some... I mean like personality traits. Am I totally clueless when it comes to guys?


WHAT DO YOU THINK?


- 1 *How differently do people you know view guy jocks and girl jocks?*
- 2 *Where do our ideas of what makes someone attractive come from?*
- 3 *What do you look for in a guy/girl?*

**Invisible to Dudes** *female, age 16*

>> dear diary: What's been bothering me is that guys say they want girls that are comfortable in their own skin and share similar interests. But if that's so true then why do they still chase girls that would never give them the time of day? Where there is a girl like me that has a wonderful personality and shares similar interests and doesn't even get noticed? Now c'mon, I know a handful of girls that agree with me on this topic. We do try to get them to notice us; I know I try to make an effort. But lately it has not ended up in my favor. But then again, I'm not the girl that's blonde and bubbly, and I definitely don't wear AE, AF, or Gap clothes. But even the guys that I'm attracted to (skater boys) still drool over girls like that. And here is me, a girl that actually likes similar music and can carry a conversation. And it sometimes pisses me off when they say, "Well the preppy girls are hotter." They can have their own opinions but sometimes it makes me question myself. Should I try changing my style just to get a dude to notice me? Or should I dress however I feel like and try to be happy not having a boyfriend? The fact is: I know I'll dress the way I want no matter how I get ignored by guys. But my question to the male readers is, WHAT DO YOU LOOK FOR IN A GIRL?

**WHAT DO YOU THINK?**

- 1 *Have you ever changed your style to attract someone?*
- 2 *What pisses you off about the opposite sex?*
- 3 *Are you comfortable with yourself just the way you are?*