

# Putting hot or not to the test

Last month the readers of the LowDown had a chance to get to know the men behind the magazine. But let's face it; in this world personality only gets you so far.

In reality it's not how nice or funny someone is, we all know it's about how good looking they are. So while you all sat there reading about our likes and dislikes, deep down you were really starring at our picture trying to decide if we were hot or not.

We have to admit, deep down, we were thinking the same thing. The minute we walk into a store the owner already has some idea of who we are based on what we look like.

So we wanted to know. Are these storeowners seeing a Brad Pitt and George Clooney walking through the door? Or are they seeing a Woody Allen and Fred Savage? Well, we put it to the test it on [www.hotornot.com](http://www.hotornot.com).



We figured what better way to judge ourselves, than to turn our pictures over to millions of people on the Internet that take time out of their busy lives in order to judge people's looks on a scale of one to 10 (10 being hot, one being not). After posting our pictures on the Web site in the appropriate age brackets, I had nothing to do but sit back and wait for the gorgeous people on the other end of the electronic super highway to decide whether we

were hot or not.

As I breezed through the Web site, I began to notice trends in the people who were voted hot. In both the men's and women's categories, the more skin showed in the picture, the hotter people thought they were. I began to think, 'Wow, these people really are hot! That guy is only wearing a thong, and that girl has been driven to only her underwear.' I wondered why they didn't just open up a window. But then I remembered sex sells.

These people were using their naked bodies as a strategy. Even if the picture was totally out of focus and you couldn't see their face, if they were near Adam and Eve status, they were voted hot. I was suddenly upset with myself. 'Why didn't I break out the old Speedo from my high school swimming days and pour soy milk all over myself?' I asked. Now I was never going to be judged hot by all of those beautiful Internet people. Life is so unfair.

But in the end people did like Colin and me; they really liked us. Together we brought in 186 votes, and on average we are hotter than 78.5 percent of the other people on the Web site. So maybe we're not Brad Pitt and George Clooney, but we're definitely no Woody Allen and Fred Savage either. I guess you could say we're doing all right for ourselves. After all, a 78.5 percent is a C+, which's what George W. Bush graduated from college with and look where it got him. But deep down it doesn't really matter how hot or not you are, unless you're hotter than 78.5 percent of the other people.

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*pictured is the photo we used to be judged by the masses*

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