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Deepfake app puts your face in famous movie scenes

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THE READING

A technique called deepfake is worrying people. It can create fake news and trick people. The software replaces the face of a talking president or movie star with a user's face. The result is a fake video. People are worried the technology will be used to trick people in elections.

A new deepfake app called Zao has gone viral in China. A Twitter user posted many Zao videos of himself in famous TV and movie scenes. He looks like the main actor in the movies The Hulk, Titanic, and in the TV fantasy drama Game of Thrones. Only people with a Chinese phone number can download the app.

PHRASE MATCHING

PARAGRAPH ONE:

1. A technique called	a. star
2. It can create fake	b. be used
3. The software replaces	c. news
4. movie	d. in elections
5. The result is a fake	e. deepfake
6. People are	f. video
7. the technology will	g. the face
8. trick people	h. worried

PARAGRAPH TWO:

1. Zao has gone	a. himself
2. A Twitter	b. app
3. videos of	c. scenes
4. in famous TV and movie	d. a Chinese phone number
5. the main	e. user
6. in the TV	f. viral in China
7. people with	g. actor in the movies
8. download the	h. fantasy drama

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

A technique called deepfake (1) _____. It can

create fake (2) _____ people. The software

replaces (3) _____ a talking president or movie

(4) _____ user's face. The result is a fake video.

People (5) _____ technology will be used to trick

(6) _____.

A (7) _____ called Zao has gone viral in China. A

Twitter (8) _____ Zao videos of himself in

famous TV (9) _____. He looks like the

(10) _____ the movies The Hulk, Titanic, and in

the (11) _____ Game of Thrones. Only people

with a Chinese phone number (12) _____ app.

PUT A SLASH (/)WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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DEEPFAKE SURVEY

Write five GOOD questions about deepfake in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper.
When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

WRITING

Write about **deepfake** for 10 minutes. Read and talk about your partner's paper.

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