

ISSUE

Cosmetic or **plastic surgery** often evokes images of famous personalities wanting to **alter** their appearances through elective surgical procedures. However, reconstructive surgery is a procedure that makes a similar, but different impact on the lives of many around the world, and many of these patients suffer from either **congenital defects** like a **cleft palate** or from injuries sustained in accidents or as a result of animal bites. The end results of such efforts have transformed lives: the patient now can live with some **normalcy** and hope for the future with less fear of being **ostracized** by neighbors and family.

Vocabulary

Plastic Surgery



Congenital defects



Cleft Palate

**Response**

1. What can cosmetic or plastic surgery do?
2. What are the advantages of cosmetic surgery?
3. What does congenital defects mean?  
Give example

**Express Yourself**

1. Would you consider volunteering if you had the expertise to perform cosmetic procedures for the needy?
2. If you have enough money, would you consider having a surgery?
3. What's your impression about people you had surgery?
4. Do you think surgeons dishonor God for altering His creation?