

We Know How You Feel (2015)

We Know How You Feel consists of a tablet with a modified demo app by Affectiva, a major player in the field of emotion analysis software. This app acts as an interactive mirror which displays the various emotion parameters that the analysis software derives from someone's facial expression. Meanwhile, a voice over reads a text extracted from the Dutch classic *Beyond Sleep* by W.F. Hermans (1966), concerning the impact of the mirror, photography and video on the human self-image. It suggests that computerised analysis of emotions is not a neutral act –as is often claimed– but rather one that potentially influences the human sense of self and of emotions.

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