

The LGBTQ Community: WHO AM I?



Sexual Orientation

(Who a person is sexually attracted to)

Heterosexual

Attracted to people of a different gender than your own.

Homosexual

Attracted to people of your own gender.

Bisexual

Attraction to people of more than one gender.

Pansexual

Attraction regardless of gender.

Asexual

Experiences little or no sexual attraction.

Demisexual

Experiences little to no sexual attraction until a close emotional bond is present.

The LGBTQIA2S Alphabet Unpacked

LESBIAN

A woman who is sexually or romantically attracted to other women.

GAY

Sexual or romantic attraction to people of one's same sex — often used to refer to men only.

BISEXUAL

Someone who is attracted to people of their gender or other gender identities.

TRANSGENDER

A wide-ranging term for people whose gender identity or gender expression differs from the biological sex they were assigned at birth.

QUEER/QUESTIONING

Once a derogatory term, this word is now essentially an umbrella term that describes people who fit somewhere in the LGBTQ+ spectrum. "Questioning" people are unsure of their sexual orientation and/or gender identity, or are in the process of exploring it.

INTERSEX

A person born with biological traits that are outside the strict male/female gender binary (such as anatomy, chromosomes, and/or hormones).

ASEXUAL

A person who experiences little to no sexual attraction.

TWO SPIRIT (2S)

Indigenous people who express their gender or sexual identities as different from others.

Gender

(How a person sees themselves in relation to gender)

Transgender

Person is not the gender assigned at birth.

Cisgender

Person is the gender assigned at birth.

Non-binary

Person does not exclusively identify as a male or female.

Gender Fluid

Person whose identify varies from man, woman or any other identity.



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