



# • **BRIDGING THE DIVIDE** •

An Introduction to  
LGBTQ+ Studies  
Week 1

## ● **OUR JOURNEY TOGETHER**

# 01.

## **Week**

The Basics of Gender  
Identity & Sexual  
Orientation

# 02.

## **Week**

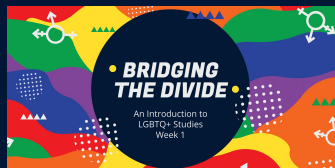
Understanding the  
GenderQueer community

# 03.

## **Week**

Looking ahead & wrap up

**Weekly Slides:**  
[jennyrain.com/class](http://jennyrain.com/class)





# 01

## **WEEK**

Welcome to a refresher on  
the basics!

# ● **WEEK 1**

## **01.** *Introduction*

Why does this matter?  
Who am I?  
Course goals & plan

## **02.** *LGBTQ+ 101*

Gender identity  
Sexual orientation  
Terms & more terms

## **03.** *A brief history*

Where it all started

## **04.** *FAQs*

Your questions answered or  
added to the parking lot





# ***PARKING LOT***

Questions... clarity needed... ideas  
I just really don't want to raise my  
hand but I will post it on the board :)



**QUIZ  
RESULTS**

## ● **PERCENTAGES**

**12.5%**



I know what all the  
letters of LGBTQIA+  
mean  
(yes)

**90%**



I know what  
happened at  
Stonewall  
(yes)

**25%**



I have a family  
member who has  
transitioned or is  
transitioning  
(yes)

## ● **PERCENTAGES**

**100%**



I remember the  
AIDS crisis  
(yes)

**25%**



I have an LGBTQ+  
parent, child, or  
grandchild  
(yes)

**0%**



I was at Stonewall!  
(yes)



## ● **PERCENTAGES**

**62.5%**



I have used  
someone's  
pronouns  
incorrectly  
(yes)

**100%**



I know the  
difference between  
a drag performer  
and a transgender  
woman (yes)

**100%**

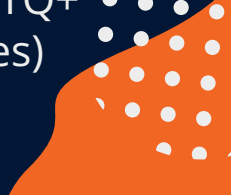


I have heard of the  
Moral Majority and  
Anita Bryant  
(yes)

**100%**



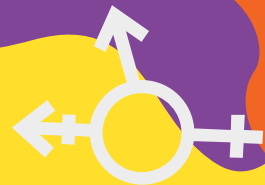
I know more than 2  
people who are  
LGBTQ+  
(yes)





**01**

***INTRO***



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# ***WHY THIS MATTERS***



# 11,300,000

## ***LGBTQ+ individuals***

4.5% of adults in the U.S. identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or queer (LGBTQ+).

(Conron, 2019).

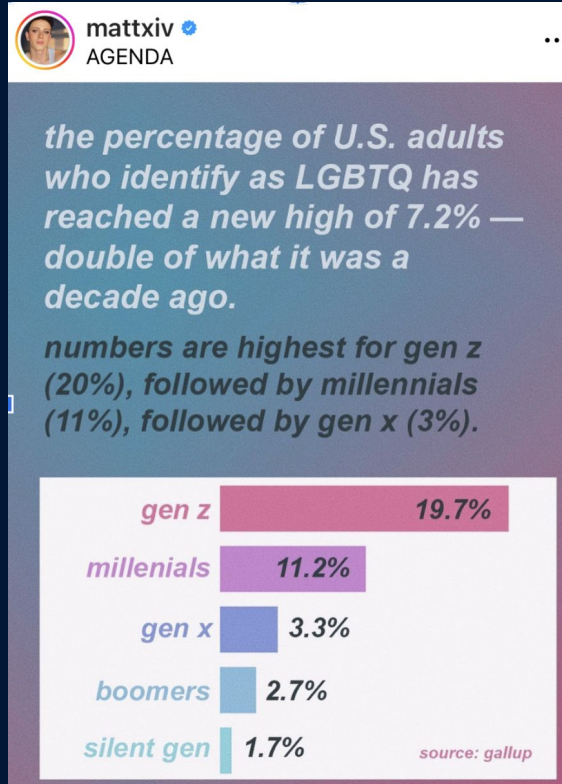
## ***29% are parents***

And are currently rearing children younger than 18 years of age

(National Council on Family Relations).



## ● MORE RECENT #'S (& AN EXAMPLE)



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**45%**

of LGBTQ youth seriously  
considered suicide in the past year

**53%**

of those who seriously considered  
suicide in the past year were  
transgender and nonbinary youth

**60%**

of LGBTQ youth who wanted mental  
health care in the past year were  
not able to get it.

**190%**

## ***LGBTQ+ youth***

More likely to use drugs and alcohol than are heterosexual teens

(Marshal MP, Friedman MS, et al)

**89%**

## ***Of trans students***

harassed (e.g., called names or threatened in the past year at school)

(GLSEN: Harsh Realities)

**16%**

## ***Of GenZ***

Young adults identify as LGBT, more than any other generation.

Gallup





## ***THE REAL ISSUE: MARGINALIZATION***

When we classify a group of people as second class citizens... it creates an ideological framework that justifies dehumanizing them... when we can dehumanize them... things like this become easier:

[CLICK ME](#)





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***WHY THIS MATTERS TO ME***



## ***PERSONAL TIMELINE***

June 28, 1969: STONEWALL

June 28, 1970: 1ST PRIDE

September 13, 1970: MY  
BIRTH





## ***TIMELINE CONTINUED...***

November 24, 1977: THE DADS

ALSO IN 1977

- HARVEY MILK & FL PROHIBITS GAY ADOPTIONS





- “You don’t think that a simple piece of paper designating your parents as ‘married’ can have a tangible difference on the bond you have with them — but it does. I watched decades of marginalization of my family fall away in the moment that the judge pronounced them as husband and husband.” - *Jenny Rain, 44*

● **GOALS BEYOND INFORMATION...**



***Humanize***



***Stori-ty***



***Safe  
dialogue***

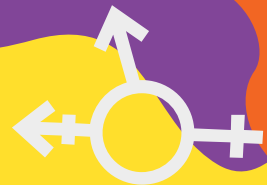


***Somatic  
Awareness***



**02**

**LGBTQ+ 101**



## ● **SEX VS. GENDER**



### **Sex**

Biological  
Assigned at birth



### **Gender**

Social construct  
Has evolved over time  
Binary is cultural

## ● ***ORIENTATION VS. IDENTITY***



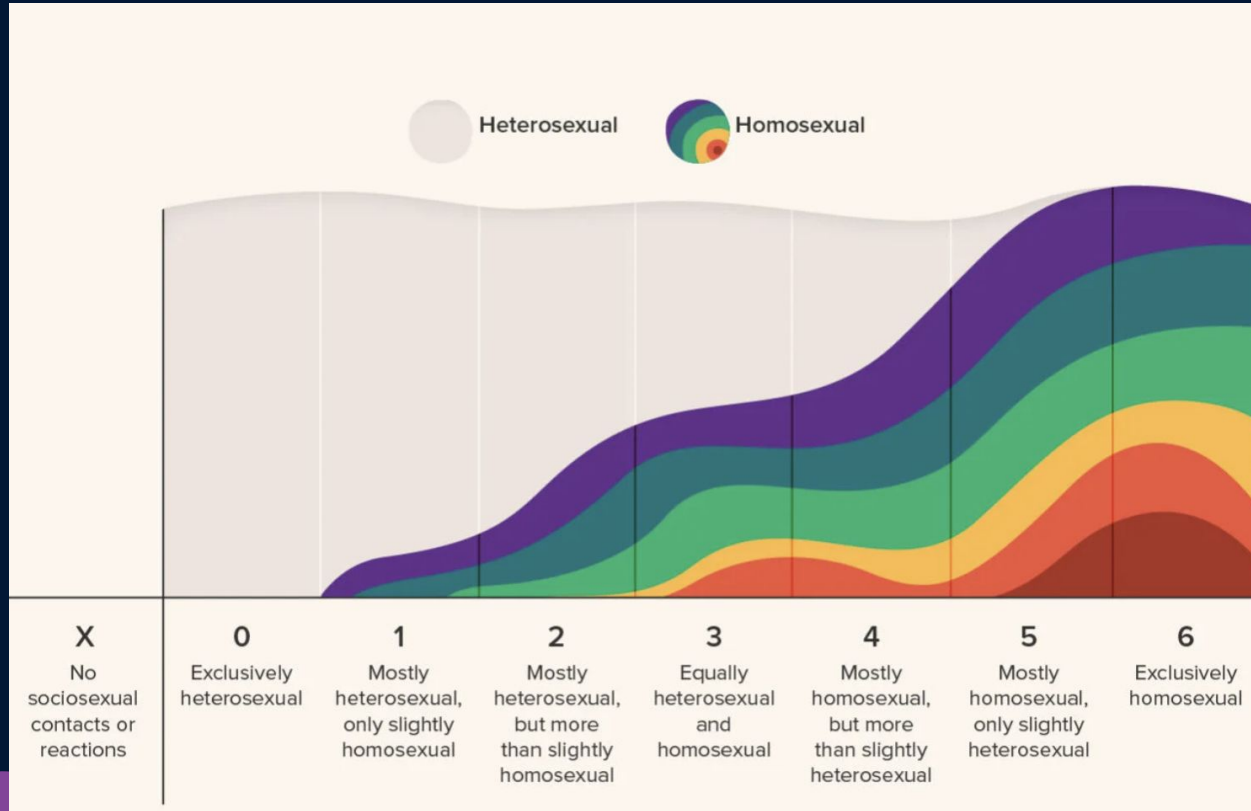
***Sexual  
Orientation***



***Gender  
Identity***

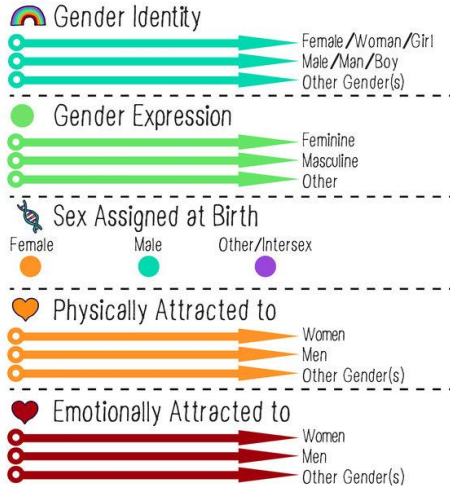
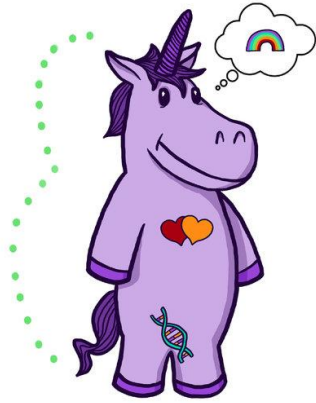


# KINSEY SCALE: CONTINUUM VS. BINARY



# The Gender Unicorn

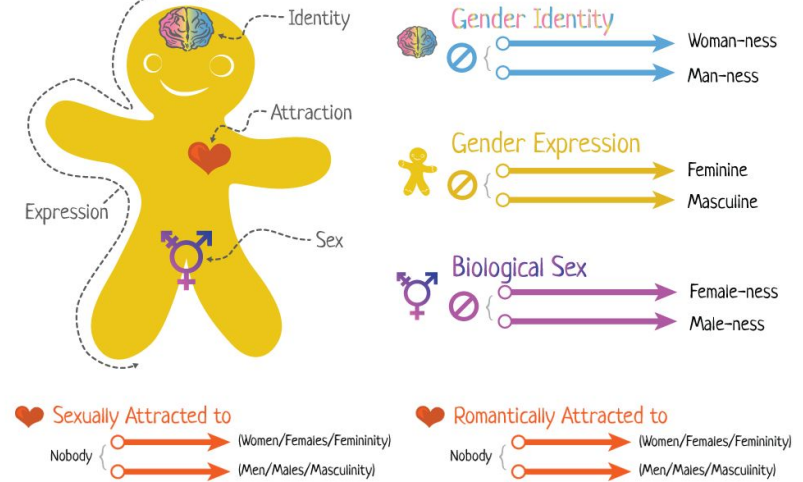
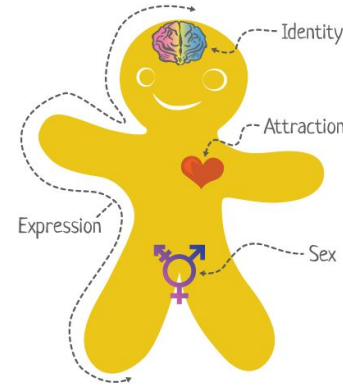
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Trans Student Educational Resources



To learn more, go to:  
[www.transstudent.org/gender](http://www.transstudent.org/gender)

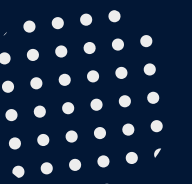
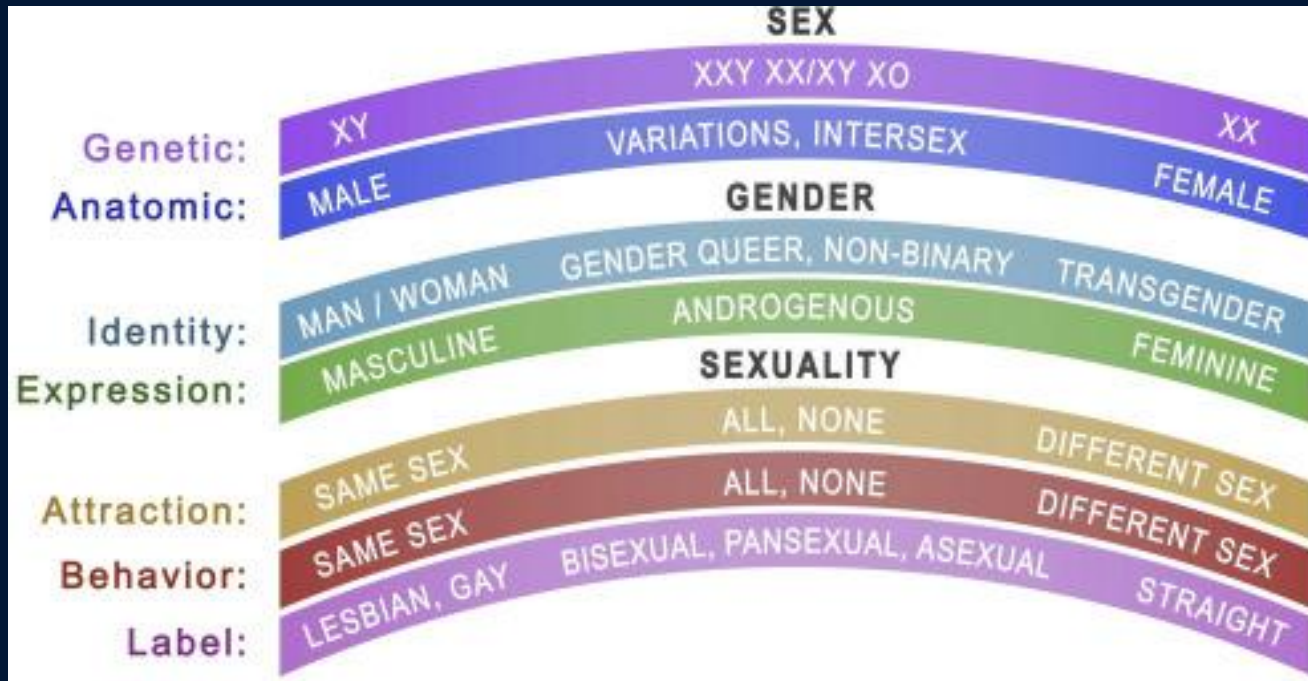
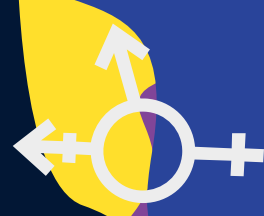
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# The Genderbread Person v3.2 by its pronounced METROsexual.com

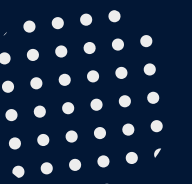
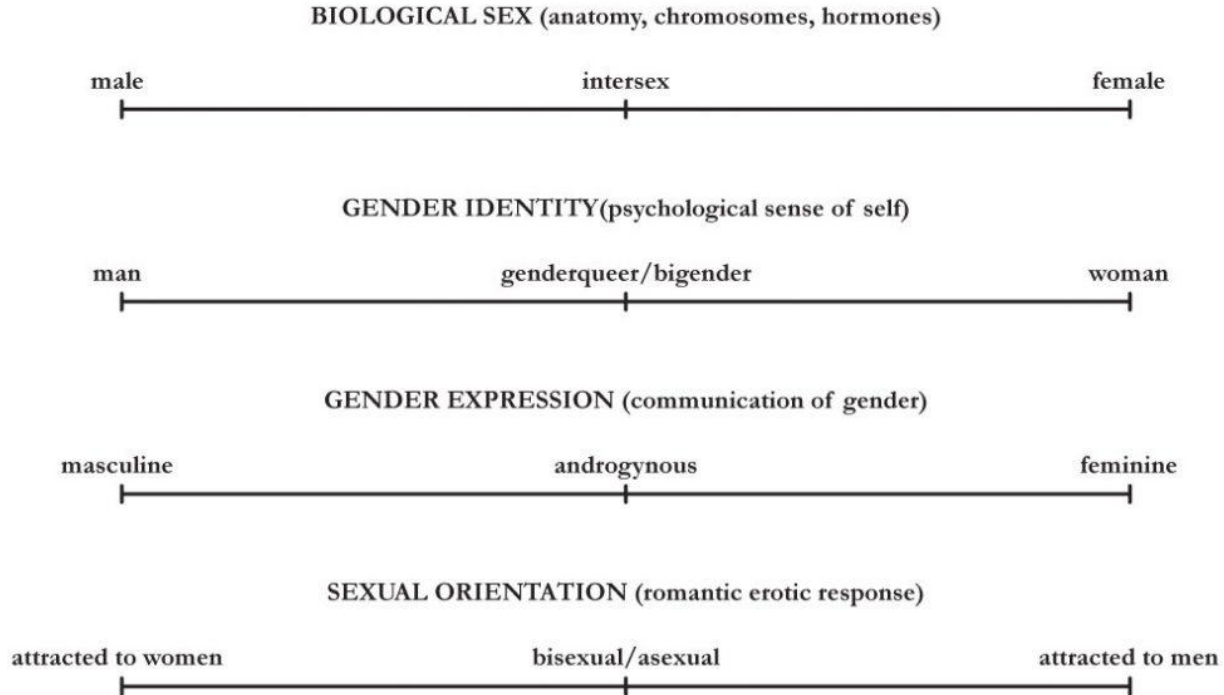


**A LITTLE HELP...**

# LGBTQ+



# Diagram of Sex and Gender



# ● **LGBTQ+ Stands for...**



## **01. Lesbian**

a woman who has a romantic and/or sexual orientation toward women.

## **03. Bisexual**

A person who experiences sexual, romantic, physical, and/or spiritual attraction to more than one gender, not necessarily at the same time, in the same way, or to the same degree.

## **05. Queer**

Used in different ways and means different things: 1) Attraction to people of many genders. 2) Don't conform to cultural norms around gender and/or sexuality. 3) A general term referring to all non-heterosexual people.

## **02. Gay**

Used in some cultural settings to represent men who are attracted to men in a romantic, erotic and/or emotional sense.

## **04. Transgender 06. +**

A person whose sense of personal identity or gender does not correspond to the sex they were assigned at birth, or does not conform to gender stereotypes.

*Any of the following...*

# ***LGBTQ+ Sexual Orientation*** ***(Who you're attracted to)***

**QUESTIONING:** An individual who is unsure of and/or exploring their gender identity and/or sexual orientation.


**ASEXUAL:** A person who experiences little or no sexual attraction to others and/or a lack of interest in sexual relationships/behavior. They may or may not experience emotional, physical, or romantic attraction. Asexuality differs from celibacy in that it is a sexual orientation, not a choice.

**PANSEXUAL:** A person who experiences sexual, romantic, physical, and/or spiritual attraction for members of all gender identities/expressions.

**AROMANTIC:** A person who experiences little or no romantic attraction to others and/or has a lack of interest in romantic relationships/behavior.

**LESBIAN, BISEXUAL, GAY**





# ***FAQ'S***