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An Introduction to  
LGBTQ+ Studies  
Week 2

## ● **OUR JOURNEY TOGETHER**

### **01.**

#### **Week**

The Basics of Gender  
Identity & Sexual  
Orientation

### **02.**

#### **Week**

Understanding the  
GenderQueer community

### **03.**

#### **Week**

Looking ahead & wrap up





**02**

**WEEK**

Understanding the  
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# ● WEEK 2

**01. Terms - con't**  
Genderqueer terminology

**02. Exploration on Identity**

What if there was more to the story?

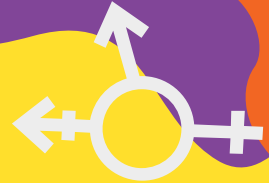
**03. Pronouns**  
Stories & coaching





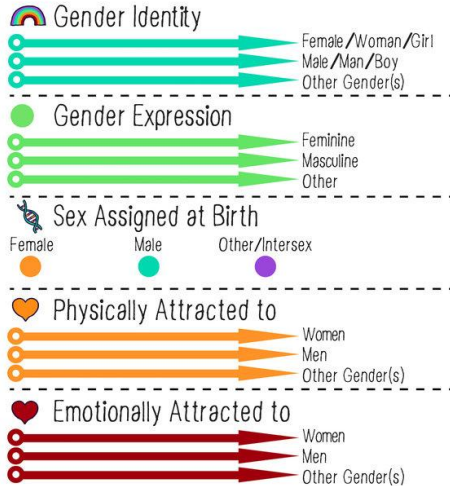
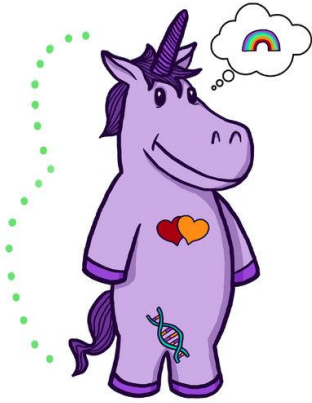
**01**

***Terms... continued***



# The Gender Unicorn

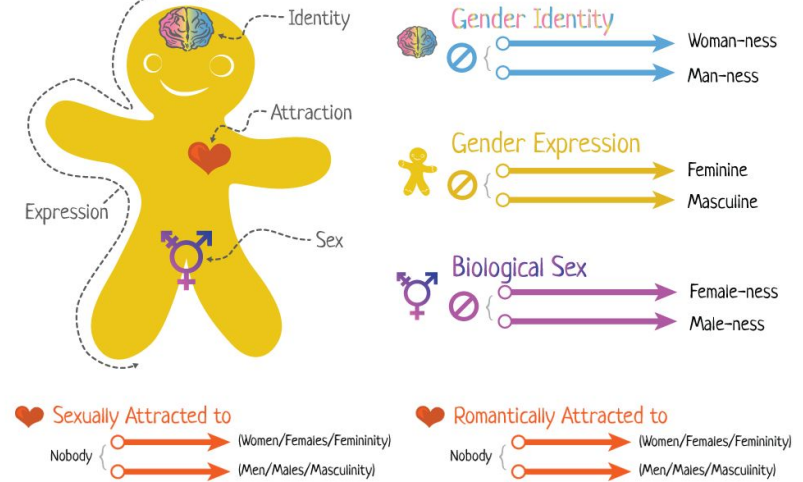
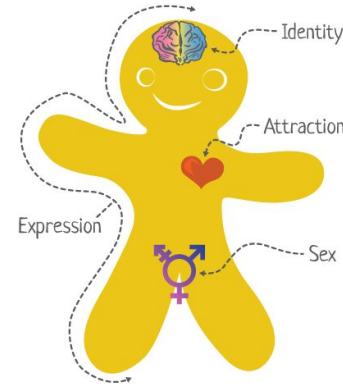
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**A LITTLE HELP...**

# **LGBTQ+ Gender Identity / Expression**

*(how you understand yourself)*

**GENDERQUEER:** A person who does not identify or express their gender within the gender binary.

// **NON-BINARY** or **ENBY:** Someone who does not identify exclusively as a man or a woman. Non-binary people may identify as being both a man and a woman, somewhere in between or falling outside of these categories.

// **GENDER NON-CONFORMING:** an umbrella term referring to people who do not identify in a way that conforms to the traditional expectations of their gender, or whose gender expression does not fit neatly into a category.

**AGENDER:** a person with no (or very little) connection to gender. Someone who sees themselves as existing without gender.

**TRANSGENDER:** A person whose sense of personal identity or gender does not correspond to the sex they were assigned at birth.

**MORE INFO:** [hrc.org/resources/transgender-and-non-binary-faq](https://hrc.org/resources/transgender-and-non-binary-faq)

*Overlap happens between gender non-conforming, non-binary, genderqueer, genderfluid*

*Some nonbinary & gender non conforming also identify as transgender*

## *Wait, there's more...*



- Agender – having no gender or being genderless
- Androgyne – identifying somewhere in between man and woman
- Bigender – having two gender identities, either at the same time or interchangeably
- Demiboy – partially, but not completely, identifying as a man, boy, or masculine person
- Demigender – having partial connection with one gender (male, female, or other)
- Demigirl – partially, but not completely, identifying as a woman, girl, or feminine person
- Genderfluid – moving between two or more gender identities at different times, in different circumstances, etc.
- Multigender – having more than one gender
- Neutrois – neutral or null gender, similar to agender
- Pangender- having many or all genders within one's culture
- Transfeminine or Transfem – a person assigned male at birth (AMAB) who identifies with a feminine gender, but does not necessarily identify as a woman
- Transmasculine or Transmasc – a person assigned female at birth (AFAB) who identifies with a masculine gender, but does not necessarily identify as a man



## ***Other terms ...***

**HETEROSEXISM:** Prejudice against individuals and groups who display non-heterosexual behaviors or identities, combined with the majority power to impose such prejudice. Usually used to the advantage of the group in power. Any attitude, action, or practice backed by an institutional power that subordinates people because of their sexual orientation.

**CISGENDER:** A person whose sense of personal identity or gender does correspond to the sex they were assigned at birth.

**LGBTQ2S+ ALLY:** Someone who confronts heterosexism, anti-LGBTQ2S+ biases, heterosexual and cisgender privilege in themselves and others; believes that heterosexism, homophobia, biphobia, and transphobia are social justice issues.



# LGBTQ+ Pride Flags



lesbian



transgender



bisexual



pansexual



nonbinary



genderqueer



intersex



genderfluid



aromantic



asexual



polysexual



neutrois



androgyne



bear



agender



rainbow  
(present)



rainbow  
(original 1978)



rainbow  
(without pink stripe 1979)



rainbow  
(Philadelphia 2017)



rainbow  
(“progress” flag 2017 )

The background is a dark blue field with several large, overlapping, organic shapes in bright colors: yellow, blue, green, orange, purple, and red. In the top left corner, there is a vertical stack of four white triangles pointing downwards. In the bottom left corner, there is a white transgender symbol, which is a circle with a cross on the left, a vertical line on the top, and a horizontal line on the right. In the bottom right corner, there is a white circle filled with a pattern of small white dots.

**02**  
*Exploration on  
Identity*

***What if everything you learned  
about humanity in Sunday School  
wasn't the whole story?***

A close-up photograph of a hand reaching down towards a row of white letter blocks. The blocks are arranged to spell out the word 'HUMANITY'. The letters are in a bold, sans-serif font. The background is a soft, out-of-focus green and blue, suggesting an outdoor setting. The lighting is bright and natural, highlighting the texture of the blocks and the skin of the hand.

**H U M A N I T Y**

## ● **WHAT IF...**



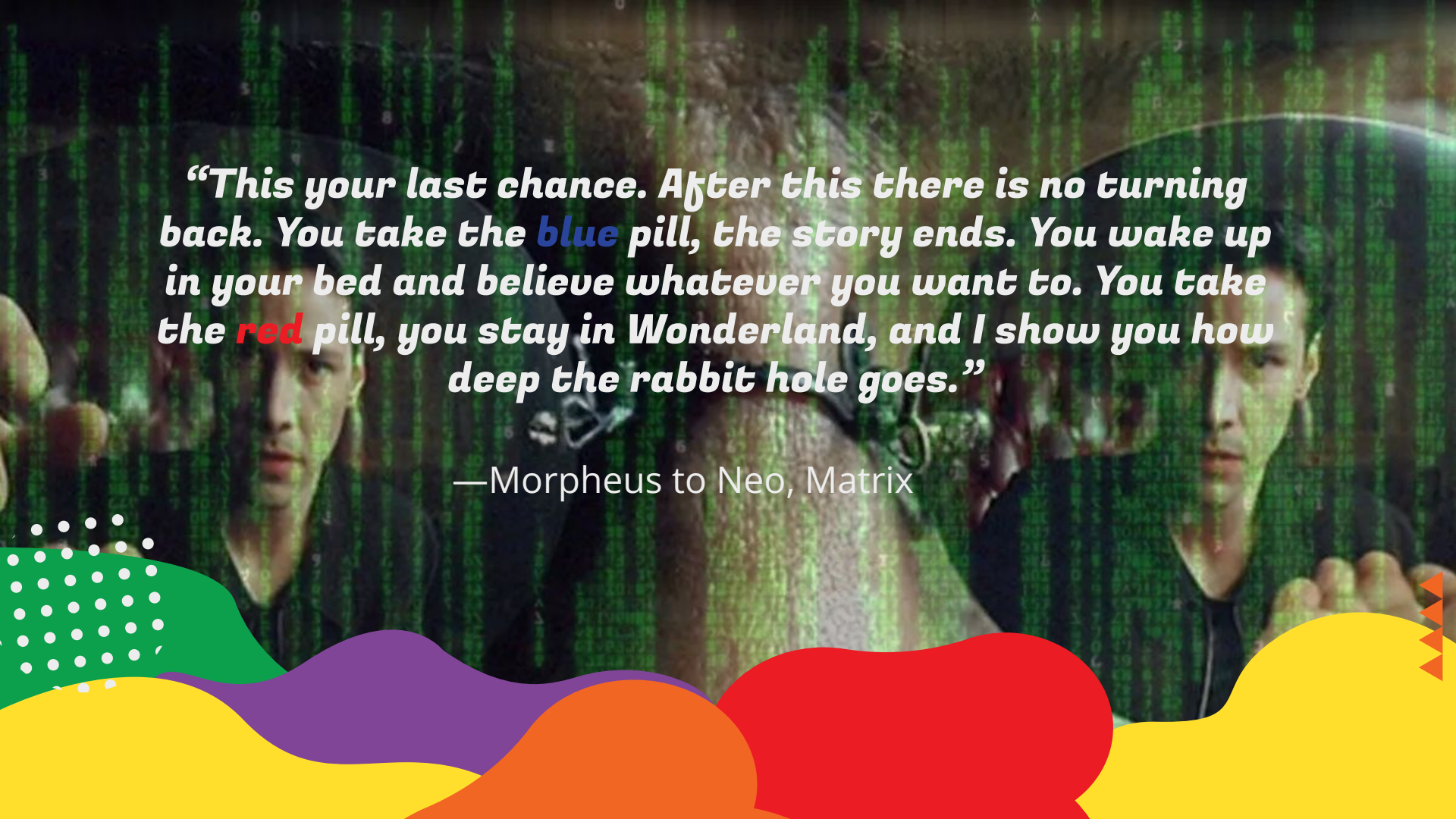
### **Results...**

What would the consequences of an update to the story be in your life?



### **Scaffolding...**

How much of your life have you scaffolded your understanding of who you are around what you have previously learned?



***“This your last chance. After this there is no turning back. You take the **blue** pill, the story ends. You wake up in your bed and believe whatever you want to. You take the **red** pill, you stay in Wonderland, and I show you how deep the rabbit hole goes.”***

—Morpheus to Neo, Matrix



**Example 1: In “the” beginning**

**בְּרֵאשִׁית**

**Where is the הָ? 🤔**

**הַבְּרֵאשִׁית**



***Example 2...***

**אָדָם *and* הָאָדָם**

***mean “humankind”  
not man (Gen 1:27)***

***And אֱלֹהִים is the plural  
expression of God.***





# *Why This Matters*





***EXERCISE:  
WHO ARE YOU?***

- **1992 | NEWSWEEK COVER**

***“the truth is that what people who identify as gay, trans, and queer of all persuasions want more than the acceptance of their sexuality is rather the acceptance of their humanity.”***

***-- A Queer Calling***

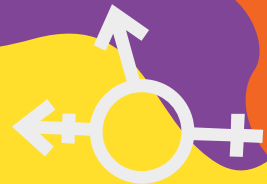




# 03

## ***PRONOUNS***

What they are, why they matter, and how to ask





## ● **GRAMMAR 101: PRONOUNS**

A word or a group of words that one may substitute for a noun or noun phrase.

- Personal Pronouns
- Singular or Plural





# Gender Pronouns

Please note that these are not the only pronouns. There are an infinite number of pronouns as new ones emerge in our language. Always ask someone for their pronouns.

Subjective	Objective	Possessive	Reflexive	Example
She	Her	Hers	Herself	She is speaking. I listened to her. The backpack is hers.
He	Him	His	Himself	He is speaking. I listened to him. The backpack is his.
They	Them	Theirs	Themselves	They are speaking. I listened to them. The backpack is theirs.
Ze	Hir/Zir	Hirs/Zirs	Hirself/ Zirself	Ze is speaking. I listened to hir. The backpack is zirs.

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# ***WHY PRONOUNS MATTER***



# ADVANCED PRONOUNS

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Neopronouns & Xenopronouns

1 - xe/xir/xirs


2 - ze/zir/zirs

"I saw xir yesterday, and xe said the book was xirs."

"Ze will be arriving soon, and bringing zir famous carrot cake, which was zirs grandma's recipe!"







# ***FAQ'S***