

QUESTIONING

SPECIAL GROUPS | PART OF THE GAYTHER PRIDE IN SERIES



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(pronounced - kwes-chuh-ning | 'kwɛstʃənɪŋ)

A person who is questioning can be defined as a male or female, within the spectrum or non-binary. The term questioning relates to an individual unsure and questioning their gender or sexual identity. Questioning is an integral part of the understanding and acceptance process, where the individual will often get the clarity they need around their thinking or feeling. Others will typically take their time to fully explore their sexuality or gender before labelling or sharing aspects of their lives with people close to them. Questioning will most often occur during puberty; however, it can occur at any given point within a person's life.

SUMMARY

- An individual questioning their gender or sexual identity
- An integral part of understanding and acceptance
- Questioning often occurs during puberty



GENDER IDENTITY



SEXUAL IDENTIFIER

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FOR MORE INFORMATION

<https://gayther.lgbt/groups/questioning/>

 GAYTHER

Name in other languages

learn the literal translations of the name in twelve of the most popular languages

 ENGLISH questioning	 HEBREW לואשת
 SPANISH cuestionando	 HINDI प्रश्न करना
 FRENCH interrogatoire	 DUTCH vragen stellen
 GERMAN befragung	 PORTUGUESE questionando
 MANDARIN 质疑	 RUSSIAN опрос
 ARABIC باوجتسا	 JAPANESE 質問

TAKE PRIDE

Acceptance and coming to terms with how a person chooses to identify or love, especially in accepting it themselves, is often challenging. Self-discovery is typically one of the most significant steps a person from the LGBTQIA+ community can take. The acceptance process can be complex and made worse when we can not associate, connect or identify with others similar to ourselves. Failing to find a positive representative can make a person feel disconnected, isolated and alone.

The pride in series is about educating and sharing information about various identities, sexualities and special groups. It is a platform that showcases and highlights the exceptional groups of individuals that make up the global community and hopefully helps people feel pride. Learning more about people similar to yourself not only helps debunk misinformation but can also help change perceptions and, ultimately, help people take pride in their community or communities, whatever they might be.

You should never feel or be told that being different is wrong. It does not matter if you are straight, gay, or any of the other no-traditional sexual or gender identities. You are you, especially when it is your identity and something you cannot change.

take pride in you



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"By doubting we are led to question, by questioning we arrive at the truth"

PETER ABELARD

INTERESTING STATISTICS

- No one can choose or has the right to out you. Your gender and sexuality are yours, and only you can decide when is the right time to accept and share that part of who you are with the world
- According to a study carried out by the American Psychological Association, 57% of people first had questioning thoughts on their sexuality between the ages of 11 and 15
- Curiosity and experimentation are common; however, it is not all about labels or completely identifying with a group. Instead, it is about being honest and true to how you are thinking and feeling and only you can define your sexuality or gender identity.
- People in unsafe environments are less likely to be honest with themselves and others about their gender or sexual identities. People unable to accept their identities are at a higher risk of experiencing suicidal thoughts, depression, unprotected sex or turning to harmful coping mechanisms
- People struggling with their sexuality, are more likely to identify with being bisexual or non-binary concerning gender initially



ALLY WEEK

Last full week in September

AWARENESS
PERIOD



PRIDE IN SERIES

ALLY

盟友 [méngyǒu] (mandarin) | मित्र (hindi) | فيلح [halif] (arabic) | aliado (spanish) | allié (french) | verbündete (german) | aliado (portuguese) | союзник [soyuznik] (russian)

QUESTIONING

质疑 (mandarin) | प्रश्न करना (hindi) | باوجتسا (arabic) | cuestionando (spanish) | interrogatoire (french) | befragung (german) | questionando (portuguese) | опрос (russian)



CARE

关心 [guānxīn] (mandarin) | देखभाल (hindi) | رعايا [rieaya] (arabic) | cuidado (spanish) | le soucier (french) | pflege (german) | cuidado (portuguese) | забота [zabota] (russian)

REFUGEE

难民 [nànmín] (mandarin) | शरणार्थी (hindi) | لاجئ [laji] (arabic) | refugiado (spanish) | réfugié (french) | flüchtling (german) | refugiado (portuguese) | беженец [bezhenets] (russian)

PRIDE IN SERIES

骄傲系列 (mandarin) | श्रृंखला में गौरव (hindi) | دل سلسلے یف رغف (arabic) | orgullo en serie (spanish) | fierté de la série (french) | stolz auf die serie (german) | orgulho em série (portuguese) | гордость за серию (russian)

CHARITIES

慈善团体 (mandarin) | दान (hindi) | خيرى خاى عرح (arabic) | organizaciones benéficas (spanish) | les organismes de bienfaisance (french) | wohltätigkeitsorganisationen (german) | caridades (portuguese) | благотворительные организации (russian)

SAME-GENDER LOVING

同性爱 (mandarin) | समान-लिंग प्रेमी (hindi) | نمره عرح (arabic) | amante del mismo sexo (spanish) | amour du même sexe (french) | gleichgeschlechtliche liebe (german) | amor pelo mesmo sexo (portuguese) | однополая любовь (russian)

HOW TO USE

All the translated terms are LITERAL TRANSLATIONS and are designed to communicate key terms and phrases.



show and **POINT** at the required term

PRONOUNCE

a term based on the spelling



ELDER COMMUNITY

老年社区 (mandarin) | बुजुर्ग समुदाय (hindi) | عمر عرح (arabic) | comunidad de ancianos (spanish) | communauté des aînés (french) | ältere gemeinschaft (german) | comunidade de idosos (portuguese) | сообщество старейшин (russian)

SEXUALITY RELATED

性相关 (mandarin) | कामुकता संबंधी (hindi) | ناء (arabic) | relacionado con la sexualidad (spanish) | relatif à la sexualité (french) | sexualität im zusammenhang (german) | relacionado à sexualidade (portuguese) | связанные с сексуальностью (russian)

GENDER RELATED

性别相关 (mandarin) | लिंग संबंधी (hindi) | قلع عرح (arabic) | relacionado con el género (spanish) | lié au genre (french) | geschlechtsspezifisch (german) | relacionado ao gênero (portuguese) | гендерные аспекты (russian)

SUPPORT GROUPS

支持小组 (mandarin) | सहायता समूह (hindi) | ناعومرح (arabic) | grupos de apoyo (spanish) | groupes de soutien (french) | selbsthilfegruppen (german) | grupos de apoio (portuguese) | группы поддержки (russian)

GENDER-FLUID

性别流体 (mandarin) | लिंग-द्रव (hindi) | لىاسلا (arabic) | fluido de género (spanish) | genre-fluide (french) | gender-fluid (german) | fluido de gênero (portuguese) | gender-fluid (russian)

YOUTH

青年 [qīngnián] (mandarin) | जवानी (hindi) | شابش [shabab] (arabic) | juventud (spanish) | jeunesse (french) | jugend (german) | juventude (portuguese) | молодежь [molodezh'] (russian)

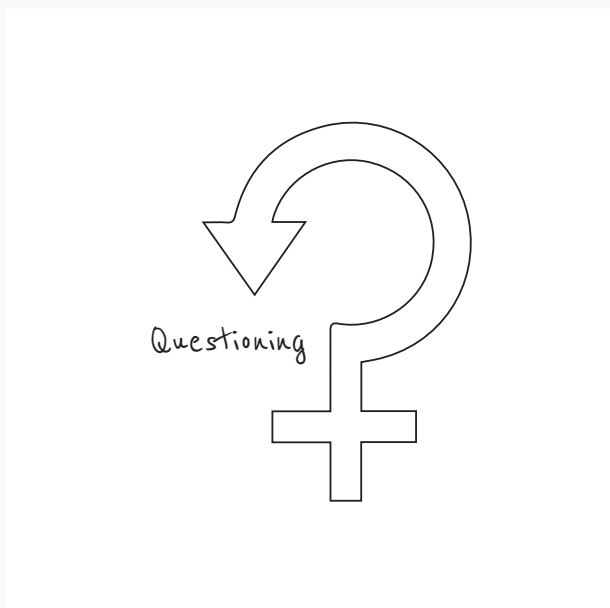
FUN TIME

WORDSEARCH

1. ADVICE
2. ADVOCATE
3. ASSISTANCE
4. CARE
5. CHARITY
6. COMMUNITY
7. COUNSEL
8. ELDER
9. FREEDOM
10. HELP
11. KINDNESS
12. MIGRANTS
13. PROTECT
14. QUESTIONING
15. REFUGEE
16. SHARE
17. SPECIAL
18. SUPPORT
19. UNITY
20. YOUTH

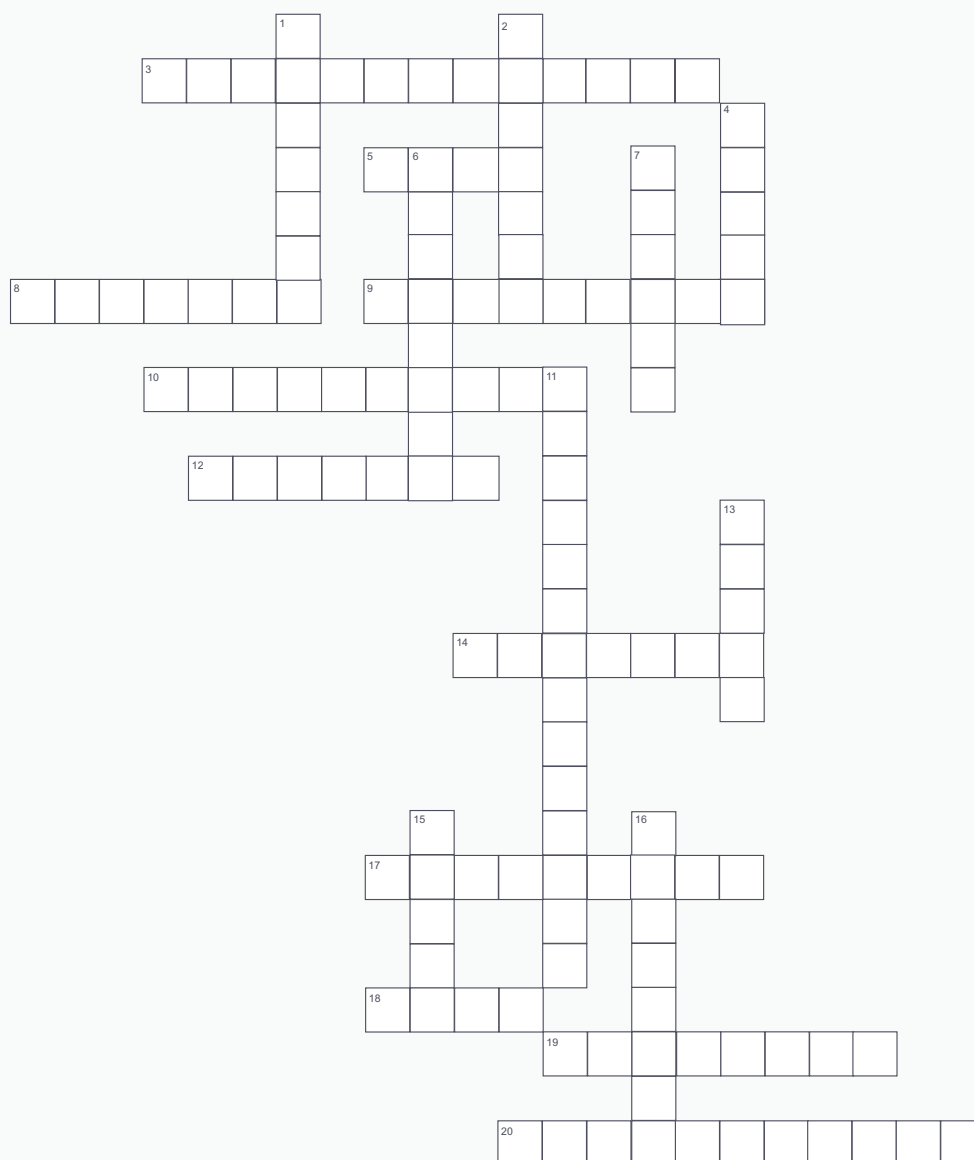


COLOUR AND LEARN



ABOUT THE SYMBOL

Though there is no official questioning symbol, it represents a question mark with a half circle representing how individuals question their sexuality and gender identity.



DOWN

- 1) A term used to describe something unique, unusual or important to a person (7 letters)
- 2) The power or right to act, speak, or think freely (7 letters)
- 4) Working together, in harmony or unison (5 letters)
- 6) One who supports or defends a cause (8 letters)
- 7) An opinion recommended or offered as worthy to be followed (6 letters)
- 11) A term used to describe a group of people with life experience (5, 9 letters)
- 13) A period of a person's life associated with energy and creativity (5 letters)
- 15) The act of informing people or an act in which a person contributes to something (5 letters)
- 16) Those individuals seeking a better life in a new country (8 letters)

ACROSS

- 3) People with common experiences or concerns meet or come together to offer encouragement, support and advice (7, 6 letters)
- 5) A term for providing support or to look after something (4 letters)
- 8) Advice or guidance given to someone (7 letters)
- 9) A term used for a group of people coming together for a common cause or initiative (9 letters)
- 10) Something offered to those in need (10 letters)
- 12) A term relating to a person who flees their home in search of safety (7 letters)
- 14) The act of keeping those vulnerable safe (7 letters)
- 17) The name that is given to an organisation that provides aid to those in need (7 letters)
- 18) The term for when we need aid or support (4 letters)
- 19) An act of being friendly, generous and considerate (8 letters)
- 20) A process that leads to a more profound or greater understanding (11 letters)



TRAVEL THE WORLD

WITH GAYTHER

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Share first-hand experiences, topics and themes that are current and relevant to the community. News and articles give real insight into the community and the lives of those telling the stories. The articles are written by all types of people, from those with a media background to those with no writing experience



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much
more...

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