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- Go to our website:
- Enter item CC5810
- Enter pass code CC5810D



## How is Gender Different Than Sexual Orientation?

## 1. Do you think the following statements are true or false? Circle the right answer.


2. In the list below, put a checkmark beside all the terms that you think are sexua orientations.
O Heterosexual
$\bigcirc$ Gender-neutral
O Lesbian Pansexual
3. With a straight line, connect the words on the left with its meaning on the right.
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Attraction
Sexual Orientation
A feeling of liking or being drawn to a
A person who is romantically attracted to other people of the same gender.
How people view what it means to be a boy or girl
How a person identifies based on who they are romantically attracted to.
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## How is Gender Different Than Sexual Orientation?

5. Bisexual and pansexual people are attracted to both men and women. Use the Internet to find out what the difference is between the two. Record your findings below.

6. Using whatever resources you have available to you, look up 5 countries that allow marriage between two people of the same gender ('same-gender marriage') and 5 countries that do not. Record them below

7. Use the graphic organizer on page 12 to describe different sexual orientations and gender identities.

We learned about a number of different sexual orientations and gender identities. These are just a few of the many that exist. Use the Internet to look up 4 new sexual orientations. Then, look up 4 new gender identities. Record each one in the graphic organizer. Be sure to include a brief description of each
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## Write an E-Mail to Your Grandparents

Imagine that your sister has come out as genderqueer. Imagine they have asked, that you use the pronouns 'they' and 'them'. You and your parents are very accepting. You agree to use gender-neutral pronouns. Your grandparents aren't as accepting. They don't understand what it means to be genderqueer.

Write an e-mail to your grandparents. In your e-mail, include the following:
What it means to be genderqueer
Why gender-neutral pronouns exist

- Why gender identity is something that should be respeete

A message to your grandparents about why they should support your sibling.
Once completed, present your e-mail to the class.

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## Word Search

Find all of the words in the Word Search. Words are written horizontally, vertically, diagonally, and some are even written backwards.


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## Gender Identity and Sexual Orientation Form Options



## How is Gender Different Than Sexual Orientation?

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## Sexual Orientation Spectrum

## Straight:

Only
attracted to the
opposite gender.

2.

Bisexual:
Attracted to both genders.

## Gay:

 attracted to the same gender.1. Philippe is dating a girl named Sierra. He is very attracted to her. Before he was dating Sierra, he had a romantic crush on a boy named Felix. Circle the term that you think describes Philippe's sexual orientation.
Gay Bisexual Straight Heterosexual Homosexual

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- A message to your grandparents about why they should support your sibling.

Once completed, present your e-mail to the class.


## Gender Identity and Sexual Orientation Form Options

Gender Custom :

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| Gender Fluid |  |
| Gender Variant |  |
| Genderqueer |  |
| Gender Questioning |  |
| Agender |  |
| Bigender |  |
| Cisgender |  |
| Cisgender Female |  |
| Cisgender Male |  |

## 4. Sexual Orientation:

Bisexual
Gay man
Gay woman/lesbian Heterosexual/straight


If you prefer to use your own term please provide this here: $\square$

## Gender

Check one or more options that reflect your gender.
$\square$ woman
$\square$ mannon-binary
$\square$ transgenderintersexTwo-Spirit
$\square$ gender non-conforming
$\square$ Other: $\qquad$

