

Gender and sexuality matching

Teacher Reference Sheet

The terms below are used to describe sex, sexuality and gender.

There may be terms not included here which are in common use in your school community. It is helpful for students to discuss how language around sex sexuality and gender are used in their school.

Term	Descriptor
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