

# **11. Cis gender**

**(Cis or Cissexual)**

Someone who identifies as the gender/sex they were assigned at birth. For example, your birth certificate says female, and you identify as a female woman. <http://queerdictionary.tumblr.com>

# **12. Gender Neutral**

Used to denote a unisex or all-gender  
inclusive space, language, etc.

Ex: A \_\_\_\_\_

bathroom is a bathroom open to people  
of any gender identity and expression.

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# **13. Pansexual**

A sexual orientation where a person desires sexual partners based on personalized attraction to specific physical traits, bodies, identities, and/or personality features which may or may not be aligned to the gender and sex binary; 2) A sexual orientation signifying a person who has potential emotional, physical, and/or sexual attraction to any sex, gender identity or gender expression; 3) Sexual orientation associated with desiring/loving a person's personality primarily, and specific bodily features secondarily.

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# **14. Queer**

An umbrella term representative of the vast matrix of identities outside of the gender normative and heterosexual or monogamous majority. Reclaimed after a history of pejorative use, starting in the 1980s; 2) An umbrella term denoting a lack of normalcy in terms of one's sexuality, gender, or political ideologies in direct relation to sex, sexuality, and gender.

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# **15. Two-Spirit(ed)**

Native American term to describe person who embodies attributes of both masculine and feminine genders, have distinct gender and social roles in their tribes, and are often involved with rituals. Their dress is usually mixture of male and female articles and they are seen as a separate or third gender. The term two-spirit is sometimes considered specific to the Zuni tribe. Similar identity labels vary by tribe such as Wintke (Lakota), Hee-man-eh (Cheyenne), and Nedleeh (Navajo); 2) Native Americans who are queer or transgender.

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