
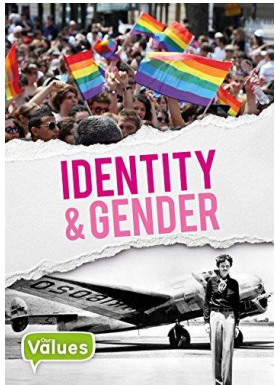

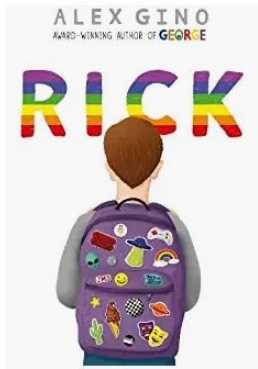


LGBTQ+ Reading List

All of these books are available in the school library.

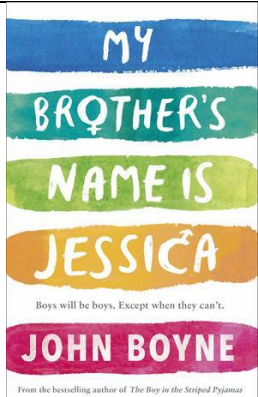
		Find in:
	<p>LGBT Matters by Matt Annis</p> <p>A look at what being lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender means in 21st-century Britain. This book provides an introduction to changing attitudes towards LGBT individuals. Interviews and case studies are used to give a personal insight into LGBT experiences such as 'coming out', gender realignment, gay marriage and LGBT families.</p>	<p>Society and Mental Health</p>
	<p>Identity and Gender (Our Values series)</p> <p>An introduction to issues of identity and gender. These days we believe that people have the right to decide who they want to be and how they want to live, but it hasn't always been that way. This book explores how we can respect people's rights and try to make things fair for everyone.</p>	<p>Society and Mental Health</p>
	<p>George by Alex Gino</p> <p>When people see George, they think they see a boy. But she knows she's not a boy. She knows she's a girl. When George's teacher announces that their class play will be <i>Charlotte's Web</i>, George is determined to be Charlotte, but only girls are allowed to audition... This explores what it feels like to be a child perceived as the wrong gender.</p>	<p>Realistic and Contemporary Fiction</p>



Rick by Alex Gino

Rick has never questioned much. He's tagged along with his best friend Jeff, even when Jeff's acted like a bully. He's let his Dad joke with him about girls, even though it makes him feel uncomfortable. Everyone around him seems to think that they've figured him out. But the truth is, Rick hasn't given his own identity much thought. Now Rick's in middle school, and it's a place of new possibilities. With the help of his new friends that he meets at the Rainbow Spectrum club, Rick embarks on a journey to find out who he truly is.

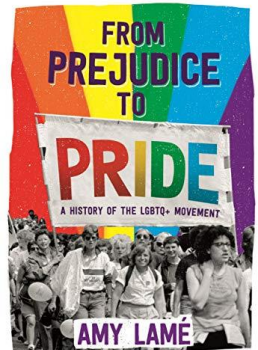
Realistic/
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My Brother's Name is Jessica by John Boyne

What do you do when your brother says he's not your brother at all? That he's actually your sister? Sam doesn't understand why his brother, Jason, who is kind, popular and amazing at football, has to turn their lives upside-down.

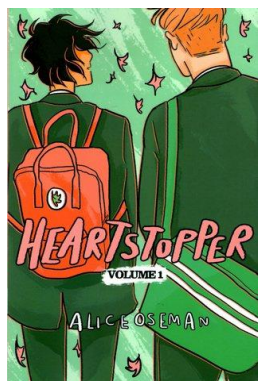
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From Prejudice to Pride: A History of the LGBTQ+ Movement

The history of the LGBT movement is told through firsthand accounts of events such as the Stonewall Inn uprising and the AIDs crisis. It describes how pioneers of the LGBT community led the change from a society in which they had to keep their sexual identity a secret to avoid persecution, to the acceptance of gay marriage.

Society and
Mental Health

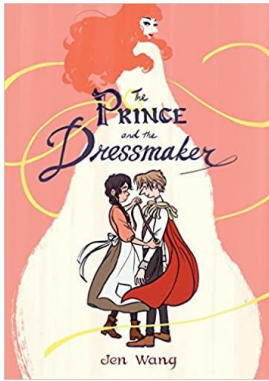


Heartstopper by Alice Oseman (Volumes 1, 2, 3 and 4)



Charlie is gay and open about it, and, when he is sat next to the rugby player, Ben, in form, they unexpectedly become friends. Charlie soon realises he would like more from Ben, but he doesn't think he stands a chance... These graphic novels are some of the most popular books in the library!

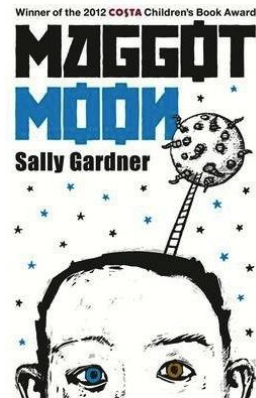
Graphic Novels
and Comics



The Prince and the Dressmaker by Jen Wang

Prince Sebastian is looking for a bride – or rather, his parents are looking for one for him. Sebastian is too busy hiding his secret life from everyone. At night he puts on daring dresses, designed by his friend Frances, the dressmaker, and he becomes Lady Crystallia, the hottest fashion icon in Paris... A stylish modern fairytale.

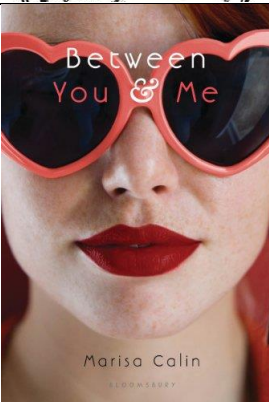
Graphic Novels and Comics



Maggot Moon by Sally Gardner

Set in a dystopian Motherland in which it is dangerous to be different, Standish Treadwell is *very* different. Life is bad enough coping with bullying at school, but then Standish and his friend Hector discover that something far more sinister is going on and it is up to them to show the world what the Motherland is really up to – if they survive that long...

Sci-Fi and Dystopian Fiction



Between You and Me by Marisa Calin

Phyre knows there is something special about her drama teacher the first time she sees her. As her feelings get deeper and more confused, Phyre's best friend – always referred to as 'you' – tries to help her make sense of her emotions.

Teen Fiction and Romance

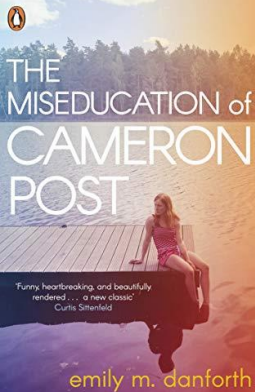
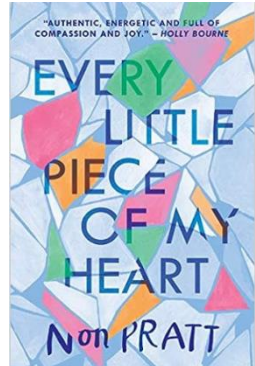

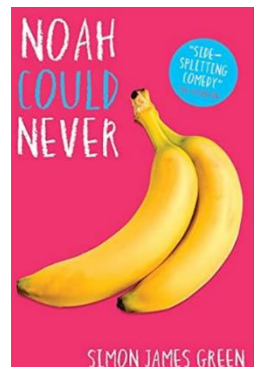


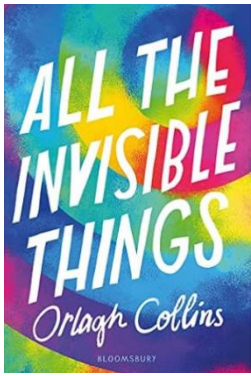
The ABC's of LGBT+ by Ashley Mardell

A detailed look at all things LGBT+. Along with in-depth definitions, personal anecdotes, helpful infographics, resources, and more, Mardell's LGBT book is proof it does get better every day in a world where people are empowered by information and understanding.

Society and Mental Health

	<p>Leah on the Offbeat by Becky Albertalli</p> <p>This is sequel to <i>Simon vs the Homo Sapiens Agenda</i>, which was turned in the 2018 film <i>Love, Simon</i>. Leah hasn't yet mustered the courage to reveal her bisexuality to her friends, and as her friendship group fractures in unexpected ways, it's hard to know what to do when the people she loves are fighting...</p>	<p>Realistic/ Contemporary Fiction</p>
	<p>Black Flamingo by Dean Atta</p> <p>A boy comes to terms with his identity as a mixed-race gay teen - then at university he finds his wings as a drag artist, <i>The Black Flamingo</i>. A bold story about the power of embracing your uniqueness. Sometimes, we need to take charge, to stand up wearing pink feathers - to show ourselves to the world in bold colour.</p>	<p>Realistic/ Contemporary Fiction</p>
	<p>Trans Mission – My Quest to a Beard by Alex Bertie</p> <p>YouTuber Alex Bertie writes about his transition from female to male. Alex shares what it means to go through puberty while feeling that you are in the wrong body, and gives personal advice to other trans teens. A valuable read for anyone interested in what it means to be transgender.</p>	<p>Society and Mental Health</p> <p>13+</p>
	<p>The Art of Being Normal by Lisa Williamson</p> <p>David Piper has always been treated as a freak by the school bullies, but only his two best friends know his secret – David wants to be a girl. Leo Denton is a new boy in David's school, and, when Leo stands up for David in a fight, the two form an unlikely friendship. But Leo has a secret of his own. A perceptive novel about becoming fully oneself.</p>	<p>Realistic/ Contemporary Fiction</p> <p>13+</p>

	<p>The Miseducation of Cameron Post by Emily M. Danforth</p> <p>When Cameron Post’s parents die in a car crash, her first shocking thought is relief that they won’t know she has been kissing a girl. But when Cameron is sent to live with her conservative but well-intentioned relatives, her Aunt Ruth takes drastic action to ‘fix’ her niece, and Cameron has to grow up fast to discover who she really is. <i>The Miseducation of Cameron Post</i> was made into a film in 2018.</p>	<p>Realistic/ Contemporary Fiction</p> <p>13+</p>
	<p>Every Little Piece of my Heart by Non Pratt</p> <p>When Sophie receives a parcel from her best friend, Freya, she expects it to contain the reason why Freya left town so suddenly, without goodbyes and without explanation. Instead, she finds a letter addressed to Win, a girl Freya barely knew – or did she? As more letters arrive for more people on the periphery of Freya’s life, Sophie and Win begin to piece together who Freya was and why she left. Sometimes it’s not about who’s gone, but about who they leave behind...</p>	<p>Realistic/ Contemporary Fiction</p> <p>13+</p>
	<p>Noah Can’t Even by Simon James Green</p> <p>Poor Noah Grimes! His father disappeared years ago, his mother's Beyonce tribute act is an unacceptable embarrassment, and his beloved gran is no longer herself. He only has one friend, Harry, and school is... Well, it's pure hell. Why can't Noah be normal, like everyone else at school?</p> <p>Maybe if he struck up a romantic relationship with someone - maybe Sophie, who is perfect and lovely - he'd be seen in a different light? But Noah's plans are derailed when Harry kisses him at a party.</p>	<p>Teen Fiction and Romance</p>
	<p>Noah Could Never by Simon James Green</p> <p>Noah's back, and more bananas! He and Harry are now officially boyfriends, but is Noah ready for the difference?</p> <p>It's no help that a group of cosmopolitan French exchange students have descended on Little Fobbing - including sexy Pierre Victoire, who seems to have his eye on Harry! Meanwhile, Noah's paired up with a girl ... who, most outrageously, <i>is not even French</i>.</p>	<p>Teen Fiction and Romance</p>



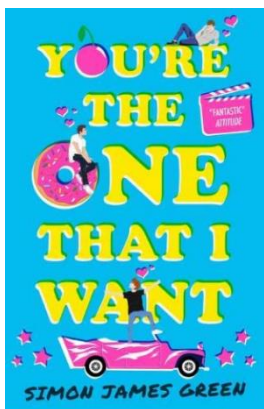
All the Invisible Things by Orlagh Collins

For four years Vetty Lake has been keeping her heart in hiding. Since her mum died and her family moved out of London it's felt so much safer not to tell people how she really feels. She's never even told anyone she's attracted to girls as well as boys.

But now Vetty's seventeen and coming back to London she's determined to start living out loud. She's convinced that reconnecting with her childhood best friend Pez is the key. She was always fearless around him.

Realistic/
Contemporary
Fiction

13+



You're the One that I Want by Simon James Green

Freddie is unremarkable - *too* unremarkable. He doesn't stand out in any way, and in fact teachers and fellow students keep forgetting who he is. Even his mum thinks he's a disappointment, and spends almost all her time at work, producing a TV show.

After a particularly awful night when he embarrasses himself in front of Jasper Perry (the gorgeous teen star of Freddie's mum's new show), Freddie decides to follow a new, proactive philosophy designed to transform his social and romantic life: *saying 'yes' to every opportunity*.

Teen Fiction
and Romance

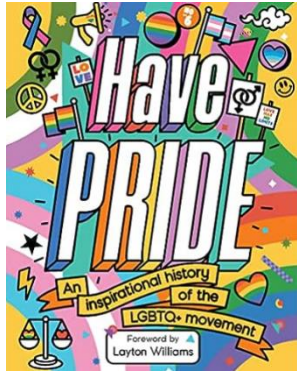


Cinderella is Dead by Kalynn Bayron

Sophia knows the story off by heart, because every girl has to recite it daily, from when she's tiny until the night she's sent to the royal ball for choosing. And every girl knows that she has only one chance. For the lives of those not chosen by a man at the ball are forfeit.

But Sophia doesn't want to be chosen - she's in love with her best friend, Erin, and hates the idea of being traded like cattle. And when Sophia's night at the ball goes horribly wrong, she must run for her life. Alone and terrified, she finds herself hiding in Cinderella's tomb. And there she meets someone who will show her that she has the power to remake her world.

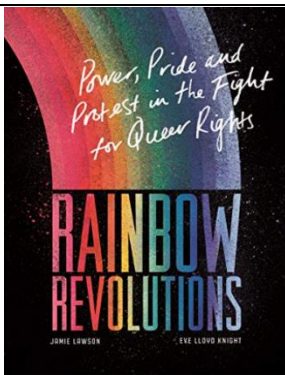
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Have Pride – An inspirational history of the LGBTQ+ movement

This inspirational history of the international LGBTQ+ movement will teach readers to accept and have pride in themselves and others, whatever their sexuality. It details the struggles and successes of LGBTQ+ movements around the world, looking at decriminalisation, the Stonewall riots and their legacy, global Pride movements, the HIV/AIDS crisis and equal marriage. It also includes profiles of significant LGBTQ+ figures from history and messages from young, modern-day members of the LGBTQ+ community, explaining why they have pride in themselves – and why you should too.

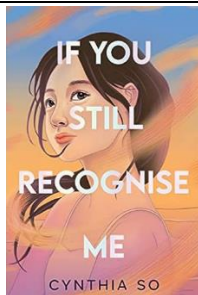
Society and Mental Health



Rainbow Revolutions: Power, Pride and Protest in the Fight for Queer Right by Jamie Lawson

From the impassioned speeches of bold activists Karl Ulrichs and Audre Lorde to the birth of Pride and queer pop culture, *Rainbow Revolutions* charts the dramatic rise of the LGBTQ+ rights movement and celebrates the courageous individuals who stood up and demanded recognition. With bold and beautiful illustrations by pop artist Eve Lloyd Knight.

Society and Mental Health



If You Still Recognise Me by Cynthia So

Elsie has a crush on Ada, the only person in the world who truly understands her. Unfortunately, they've never met in real life and Ada lives an ocean away. But Elsie has decided it's now or never to tell Ada how she feels. That is, until her long-lost best friend Joan walks back into her life.

Realistic/ Contemporary Fiction



Six Times We Almost Kissed (And One Time We Did) by Tess Sharpe

Six fun facts about PENNY and TATE:

1. They've known each other their whole lives
2. Their moms are best friends
3. They are DEFINITELY NOT friends
4. They keep *almost* kissing
5. They don't talk about it
6. Thanks to their moms, they're moving in together ...

But when an almost-kiss goes from *almost* to *I am now wearing your lip gloss*, Penny and Tate have no choice but to finally face the music ... right?

Realistic/ Contemporary Fiction

