**LGBT History Month Resources**

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### 30 Children's Books with LGBT Characters

We are Teachers

**30 Children's Books with LGBT Characters**

In honor of Pride Month and the wonderfully diverse students and families who come through our classrooms, here are 30 of our favorite children's books with LGBT characters. Just a heads up, WeAreTeachers may collect a share of sales from the links on this page. We only recommend items our team loves!

WEARETEACHERS

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### Teaching Tolerance

Gender and Sexual Identity

**Gender & Sexual Identity**

Teach the facts about sex assigned at birth, sexual orientation, gender identity and gender expression, and learn how to advocate for LGBT youth. Whether you’re just becoming familiar with gender diversity or ready to start a gay-straight alliance at your school, our resources can help you and your colleagues shape inclusive policies and empower vulnerable students.

TEACHING TOLERANCE

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### Welcoming Schools

Creating Safe and Welcoming Schools for all Children and Families

**Welcoming Schools**

Welcoming Schools is a comprehensive approach to creating respectful and supportive elementary schools with resources and professional development to embrace family diversity, create LGBTQ-inclusive schools, prevent bias-based bullying and gender stereotyping, and support transgender and gender-expansive students.

HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN

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### Defending Intellectual Freedom: LGBTQ+ Materials in School Libraries

American Association of School Librarians

**Defending Intellectual Freedom: LGBTQ+ Materials in School Libraries**

Stemming from an Affiliate Assembly concern, the 2018 ALA Emerging Leaders team was charged with creating a guide for AASL to support school librarians in addressing challenges related to censorship and patron privacy issues, particularly with LGBTQ+ materials. Defending Intellectual Freedom: LGBTQ+ Materials in School Libraries is more than a collection of resources.

NATIONAL SCHOOL LIBRARY STANDARDS

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### Freedom to Read Statement

American Library Association

**Freedom to Read Statement**


The Freedom to Read Statement
The freedom to read is essential to our democracy. It is continuously under attack. Private groups and public authorities in various parts of the country are working to remove or limit access to reading materials, to censor content in schools, to label “controversial” views, to distribute lists of “objectionable” books or authors, and to purge libraries. The freedom to read is essential to our democracy.

ADVOCACY, LEGISLATION & ISSUES

Libraries Celebrate GLBT Book Month
i Love Libraries

Protect Your Rights | I Love Libraries
Freedom of information is fundamental to the American way of life, and free and full access sets us apart from many countries. Libraries and librarians are committed to preserving both the freedom to read in order to enhance learning and ensure access to information for all.

ILOVELIBRARIES

Outreach Resources
American Library Association

Outreach Resources for Services to Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender People
Libraries can serve gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender (GLBT) people by ensuring that this population is reflected in library collections and provided with services at the library. As a population which is often the subject of discrimination and harassment, gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people can benefit from the access to information which libraries provide and the sense of community which library programs can help foster.

ADVOCACY, LEGISLATION & ISSUES

2018 Rainbow Book List
GLBTRT (ALA)

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Rainbow Book Lists
The Rainbow Book List Committee is proud to announce the 2018 Rainbow Book List. The List is a curated bibliography highlighting books with significant gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, or queer/questioning content, aimed at children and youth from birth to age 18.

RAINBOW BOOK LIST

Professional Toolkit
GLBTRT (ALA)

Professional Tools
Open to All: Serving the GLBT Community in Your Library (9 April 2016) [pdf: 374 kb] GLBT News - Official news outlet for the GLBTRT GLBT Reviews - Media reviews and columns about GLBT materials If you have any suggestions or comments regarding the resources on this page, please notify the GLBTRT Resources Committee.

ROUND TABLES

Stonewall Book Award
American Library Association

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GLBTRT (ALA)
Stonewall Book Awards List
The first and most enduring award for GLBT books is the Stonewall Book Awards, sponsored by the American Library Association's Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table. Since Isabel Miller's Patience and Sarah received the first award in 1971, many other books have been honored for exceptional merit relating to the gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgender experience.

Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Roundtable
American

Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender Round Table (GLBTRT)
The Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender (GLBT) Round Table of the American Library Association is committed to serving the information needs of the GLBT professional library community, and the GLBT information and access needs of individuals at large.

Museum
GLBT Historical Society

Museum
Our powerful Main Gallery exhibition covers a diverse range of queer history - from things you may know something about (the assassination of Harvey Milk) to things you've never seen before.

SurveyLA LGBT Historic Context
LA Conservancy 40th Anniversary

Primary Sources LGBT
University Libraries - University of Washington

Library Guides: History : LGBTQ: Primary Sources
UW

LGBT History Month
University of Oregon

LGBT History Month
LGBT History Month was created in 1994 by a high school history teacher in Missouri named Rodney Wilson. The month of October was initially chosen to include: The month also now includes: Gay and Lesbian History Month was endorsed by GLAAD, the Human Rights Campaign, the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, the National Education Association and other national organizations.

EQUITY AND INCLUSION

LGBTQ Heritage
National Park Service
As America's storytellers, the National Park Service (NPS) is committed to telling the history of all Americans in all of its diversity and complexity. For many years, the rich histories of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer Americans have been erased through punishing laws and general prejudice—appearing sporadically in police proceedings, medical reports, military hearings, and immigration records.