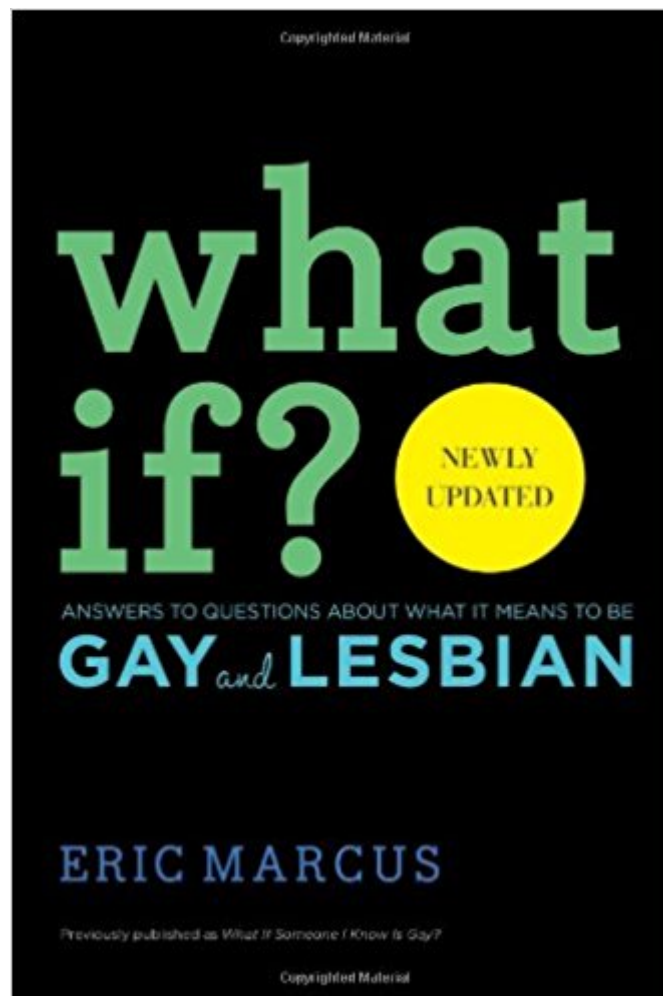




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# What If?: Answers To Questions About What It Means To Be Gay And Lesbian



## Synopsis

An updated and revised informative, accessible guide to understanding and approaching the issue of sexual orientation. No question goes unanswered in this important book about being gay. All the basics and not-so-basics are covered in more than one hundred questions asked by real teens. Whether you're curious about your own sexual orientation or looking to understand and support someone close to you, this book contains an abundance of answers. Primarily targeted at young adults, this indispensable guide also includes a chapter especially for parents as well as an appendix packed with additional resources. Expert Eric Marcus has fully updated and revised this essential guide for today's readers. He candidly and clearly pushes aside the myths and misinformation about being gay and lesbian, answering all the questions that are on your mind.

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In this revised volume, Marcus's intelligent guide to what it means to be gay and lesbian remains an indispensable introduction to an occasionally thorny subject. Though much of the material here will be familiar to readers of the 2007 edition, there is enough new content to warrant purchase of this updated version. As before, the material is divided topically; for example, Friends and Family, Sex, School, and so on. And the thoughtful answers to many of the questions (e.g., How do people react when they find out a friend is gay?; My two moms had a commitment ceremony. Is that the same thing as getting married?) are enriched by the inclusion of anecdotal material derived from his own experience or from interviews with teens and caring adults. In addition

to new material about transgender people, gay marriage, religion, and education, the chapter on resources has been substantially updated and expanded. Whether old or new, the content of Marcus's Q&A guide remains lucid, fair, and laudably commonsensical. Grades 7-12.

--Michael Cart --This text refers to the Hardcover edition.

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