

Identity (Teacher Notes)



This assembly can be used in your primary setting at any time during the school year to open up a discussion about identity and individuality. You can also use it during Pride Month as part of the celebration of uniqueness, respect and equality.

Teaching about equality and diversity in primary schools can significantly help to combat LGBT+ prejudice before it can begin to form, as well as other forms of prejudice.

In this assembly, children are asked to consider what different aspects make up their unique identities. They'll also be encouraged to consider which things about them will stay the same as they grow up and which things might change. This introduces the idea of flexible thinking and autonomy to make choices in life.

The video *Identity Explained for Kids* is referred to in this assembly. The video covers:

- The different things that make up our identity.
- Values that people think are important (these might tie into your school values).
- Things about our identity that stay the same and things that might change.
- Feeling proud of our identities.

Following the assembly, you might like to engage children in an activity such as the Identity activity sheet, which is mentioned in the video. It is included in the Pop'n'Olly Pride Pack and can also be found at popnolly.com/free-resources.

We have loads LGBT+ educational resources and content for primary schools that has been created to support teachers and parents to confidently teach about diversity and acceptance.

Other Pop'n'Olly videos you might like to explore at youtube.com/popnolly about identity and diversity are:

- *Sexual Orientation Explained for Kids*
- *Privilege Explained for Kids*
- *Discrimination Explained for Kids*