

How Jigsaw promotes and supports the Protected Characteristics

Protected characteristics	What this refers to	Links to Jigsaw 3-11	Links to Jigsaw 11-16
Age	Where this is referred to, it refers to a person belonging to a particular age (for example, 32-year-olds) or range of ages (for example, 18- to 30-year-olds).	Celebrating Difference Ages 10-11 Piece 3: Power Struggles	Celebrating Difference Ages 11-12 Piece 1: Prejudice and discrimination Ages 13-14 Piece 1: Equality Piece 5: Discrimination Piece 6: Assessment Ages 14-15 Piece 1: Equality: what does it mean to me in the UK? Piece 2: Equality in the workplace Piece 5: Challenging inequality Piece 6: Assessment
Gender reassignment	The process of transitioning from one gender to another.	Celebrating Difference Ages 5-6 Piece 6: Celebrating Me. Ages 7-8 Piece 5: Gender diversity Ages 8-9 Piece 1: Judging by appearances Ages 10-11 Piece 2: Understanding difference NB. In Jigsaw the focus is on accepting all people as unique individuals, not on transitioning itself.	Celebrating Difference Ages 11-12 Piece 4: Discrimination in school Ages 13-14 Piece 1: Equality Piece 2: Understanding difference Piece 5: Discrimination Piece 6: Assessment Ages 14-15 Piece 5: Challenging inequality Piece 6: Assessment Changing Me Ages 14-15 Piece 3: Gender and sexual identity Piece 4: Gender stereotypes and sexual identity
Being married or in a civil partnership	Marriage is no longer restricted to a union between a man and a woman but now includes a marriage between a same-sex couple. Same-sex couples can also have their relationships legally recognised as 'civil partnerships'. Civil partners must not be treated less favourably than married couples (except where permitted by the Equality Act).	Celebrating Difference Ages 7-8 Piece 1: Families	Celebrating Difference Ages 11-12 Piece 4: Discrimination in school Ages 13-14 Piece 5: Equality Piece 5: Discrimination Piece 6: Assessment Ages 14-15 Piece 5: Challenging inequality Piece 6: Assessment Changing Me Ages 14-15 Piece 4: Gender stereotypes and sexual identity Being Me in My World Ages 15-16 Piece 2: Relationships and the law

Pregnancy is the condition of being pregnant or expecting a baby. Maternity refers to the period after the birth, and is linked to maternity leave in the employment context. In the nonwork context, protection against maternity discrimination is for 26 weeks after giving birth, and this includes treating a woman unfavourably because she is breastfeeding.	Celebrating Difference Ages 3-4/4-5 Piece 3: Families Ages 7-8 Piece 1: Families	Celebrating Difference Ages 11-12 Piece 4: Discrimination in school Ages 13-14 Piece 1: Equality Piece 5: Discrimination Piece 6: Assessment Ages 14-15 Piece 1: Equality: what does it mean to me in the UK? Piece 5: Challenging inequality Piece 6: Assessment Healthy Me Ages 15-16
A person has a disability if she or he has a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long-term adverse effect on that person's ability to carry out normal day- to-day activities.	Celebrating Difference Ages 10-11 Piece 5: Celebrating difference	Piece 4: Pregnancy and choice Celebrating Difference Ages 11-12 Piece 4: Discrimination in school Ages 13-14 Piece 1: Equality Piece 5: Discrimination Piece 6: Assessment Ages 14-15 Piece 1: Equality: what does it mean to me in the UK? Piece 2: Equality in the workplace Piece 5: Challenging inequality Piece 6: Assessment
Refers to the protected characteristic of Race. It refers to a group of people defined by their race, colour, and nationality (including citizenship) ethnic or national origins.	Celebrating Difference Ages 9-10 Piece 2: Racism	See Jigsaw 11-16 and Preventing Racism article and mapping on the Community Area of the 11-16 website
Religion has the meaning usually given to it but belief includes religious and philosophical beliefs including lack of belief (such as Atheism). Generally, a belief should affect your life choices or the way you live for it to be included in the definition.	Celebrating Difference Ages 9-10 Piece 1: Different Cultures	Celebrating Difference Ages 11-12 Piece 4: Discrimination in school Ages 12-13 Piece 1: Prejudice and discrimination Piece 3: When things go right Ages 13-14 Piece 1: Equality Piece 5: Discrimination Piece 6: Assessment Ages 14-15 Piece 1: Equality: what does it mean to me in the UK? Piece 2: Equality in the workplace Piece 5: Challenging inequality
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Sex	A man or a woman.	Celebrating Difference Ages 6-7 Pieces 1&2: Boys and Girls	Celebrating Difference Ages 11-12 Piece 3: Challenging stereotypes Ages 13-14 Piece 1: Equality Piece 5: Discrimination Piece 6: Assessment Ages 14-15 Piece 1: Equality: what does it mean to me in the UK? Piece 2: Equality in the workplace Piece 4: Power in relationships Piece 5: Challenging inequality Piece 6: Assessment
Sexual orientation	Whether a person's sexual attraction is towards their own sex, the opposite sex or to both sexes.	Celebrating Difference Ages 10-11 Piece 4: Boyfriends and girlfriends	Ages 11-12 Piece 4: Discrimination in school Ages 12-13 Piece 4: Bullying Ages 13-14 Piece 1: Equality Piece 2: Understanding difference Piece 5: Discrimination Piece 6: Assessment Ages 14-15 Piece 1: Equality: what does it mean to me in the UK? Piece 2: Equality in the workplace Piece 5: Challenging inequality Piece 6: Assessment Changing Me Ages 14-15 Piece 3: Gender and sexual identity Piece 4: Gender stereotypes and sexual identity Relationships Ages 15-16 Piece 2: Gender diversity and sexuality Piece 3: Coming out as LGBT+