How to make this board
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Match the letters to their descriptions using string, thin lines of butcher block paper, paint, or other materials. To make it interactive, you could also cover each description with a half-sheet of paper to create a flap, so residents need to lift the sheet to read the description for the corresponding letter. For an extra challenge, you could mix up the descriptions away from their letter and allow residents to match them for themselves (a la word matching games from when you were little).

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LGBTQ+ Alphabet Soup
L stands for Lesbian
Lesbian means a woman who is sexually or romantically attracted to other women.

G stands for Gay
Gay means a person is romantically or sexually attracted to those of the same gender. Gay is also sometimes used as an umbrella term for all members of the LGBTQ+ community.
B stands for Bisexual
Bisexual means a person who is romantically or sexually attracted to two or more genders.

T stands for Transgender
Transgender means a person’s gender identity does not match their sex assigned at birth.
Q stands for Queer
Queer is an umbrella term for sexual and gender minorities who are not heterosexual and/or not cisgender. Some still consider queer a slur and this word should not be used by those outside the community.

I stands for Intersex
Intersex means a person was born with sex characteristics not matching the gender binary.
P stands for Pansexual
Pansexuality means a person is attracted to all genders.

D stands for Demisexual
Demisexual means a person who does not experience sexual attraction unless they form a strong emotional connection with someone.

A stands for Asexual
Asexuality means a person is not sexually attracted to others.
This is by no means an exhaustive list of sexual and gender identities. As language is ever-evolving, these labels are subject to evolve and change as well, and it is important to respect any identity a person shares. To learn more, visit the LGBT Center on campus or online resources such as glaad.org