

Ace Space Resources

What is Asexuality?

Asexuality is when someone does not experience sexual attraction, either totally or on a varying scale or spectrum. Depending on the person, it can be a sexual orientation by itself or a modifier of their sexual identity. Example: The host of this workshop, Allen, is a gray-ace bisexual who uses asexuality identifiers to describe how he feels attraction! You can be a gay ace, a lesbian ace, a straight ace, a bi ace, or simply just ace!

Am I asexual?

I don't know, are you? Being asexual is something personal that only you can say. There are many "how can I tell?" lists online, some good and some not so much, that all boil down to looking inside yourself and thinking about how you feel.

Am I too young/old to be asexual?

There's no such thing as being too old or too young for any identity, including asexuality!

Is it okay to start or stop identifying as asexual?

Identities and our understanding of them can change. People are fluid and we are ever growing. If you find that one label does not fit you anymore, it is okay to let it go! It is normal to go through several identities especially when you are young or only just coming to terms with not being cisgender or straight - it does not mean that you aren't what you identify as, and it does not mean you were faking a previous identity.

I need something to help me tell my family/friends/dog about asexuality.

Try whatisasexuality.com ! Online resources are amazing but I warn against forums like Reddit and AVEN for breaching the subject, as they can get a little echo chamber-y and problematic content is often not filtered out as quickly as it should be. Also, never let your dog on reddit. Who knows what they could get into.

Are there books/comics with asexual characters? I haven't personally read any, but these are highly recommended!

Radio Silence by Alice Oseman - Contemporary LGBT YA fiction

How To Be A Normal Person by T.J. Klune - Contemporary LGBT YA fiction

Every Heart a Doorway by Seanan McGuire - Fantasy LGBT YA fiction

Chameleon Moon by RoAnna Sylver - LGBT YA Science fiction

No End by Erli and Kromi - Post-apocalyptic webcomic <https://noendcomic.com/>

Supernormal Step by Michael Lee Lunsford - Urban fantasy webcomic

<http://www.supernormalstep.com/archives/1488>

Widdershins by Kate Ashwin - Victorian-era adventure webcomic

<https://www.widdershinscomic.com>

Never Satisfied by Taylor Robin - Magical fantasy webcomic

<http://www.neversatisfiedcomic.com>