



THE DAY
FIND YOUR VOICE

NEWS DETECTIVES

TODAY'S NEWS STORY

Thousands march at UK's biggest Pride

KEYWORDS

- ☐ **LGBTQ+:**
Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer
- ☐ **Commemorate:**
To remember a historical event
- ☐ **Transgender:** Someone whose gender identity does not match their gender assigned at birth
- ☐ **Homophobia:**
Discrimination or prejudice against people who are gay



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WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Pride is about accepting everyone's right to love who they want. It is a month-long celebration of LGBTQ+ people and a chance to raise awareness about their role in history and the challenges that they continue to face. In the UK, Pride is celebrated every June.

With over one million people expected to attend London's annual Pride parade on Saturday 5 July, people across the UK are taking the opportunity to celebrate **LGBTQ+** people and their rights.

Collective celebration

Pride month is celebrated in June to **commemorate** the Stonewall riots. They took place in the USA in 1969, when many gay people protested to win their rights.

Its main symbol is the rainbow flag,

which symbolises diversity. In recent years, extra colours have been added to the flag to symbolise the inclusion of people of colour and the **transgender** community.

Unfinished business

Pride isn't just about joy and celebration. It is also an important chance to reflect on how damaging **homophobia** has been both in history and in today's society.

In the UK, homosexuality has been legal since 1967,

but some people continue to face discrimination. In some other countries, it is still illegal to be LGBTQ+.

Fighting back

Each year, millions attend Pride marches across the UK and around the world to celebrate love and show their support for LGBTQ+ people.

The first ever Pride march was organised in the US in June 1970 by a lady named Brenda Howard, who has since been nicknamed the "Mother of Pride".



INVESTIGATION OF THE DAY

CAN WE MAKE THE WORLD A MORE EQUAL PLACE?

WHAT
does the
rainbow flag
symbolise?

WHO
organised the
first Pride
march?

WHERE
were the
Stonewall
riots?

WHEN
was being
LGBTQ made
legal in the UK?

WHY
is Pride
celebrated
in June?

HOW
many people are
expected to attend
London Pride?

1 CHECK YOUR FACTS

Make sure you have all the facts before you start your investigation. Can you answer these questions?

2 KNOW YOUR KEYWORDS

Can you remember what these keywords mean? Match the word to the correct meaning.

1=B

2=

3=

4=

1. LGBTQ+

2. Commemorate

3. Transgender

4. Homophobia

- A. Discrimination or prejudice against people who are gay
- B. Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer
- C. Someone whose gender identity does not match their gender assigned at birth
- D. To remember a historical event

3 LOOK AT ALL SIDES

There's always more than one side to every story. How might the people involved feel about the story?



LGBTQ+ people



People who thought
society treats everyone
equally



Homophobic people



Pride marchers



Happy



Sad



Calm



Excited



Surprised



Angry



Scared



Bored



Disgusted



Confused

4 DISCUSS THE QUESTION

Can we make the world a more equal place?

What do you think?
Use the speaking prompts
here to help you get started.

I disagree
with...

I agree
with...

I'm not sure
about...

I'd like to
know more
about...

I think
that...

I don't think
that...



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5 REPORT BACK

Write, present or record a report that communicates your view. Share this with your class, family and friends. What's their opinion?