



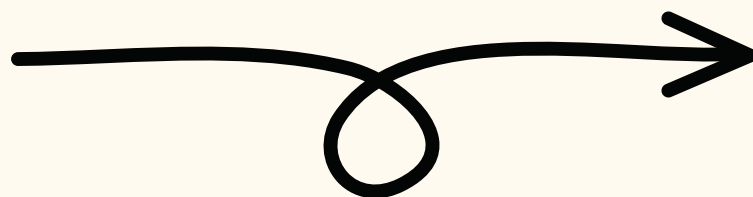
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# Creating an LGBTQ+ History Timeline



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The LGBTQ+ rights movement has a long and complex history filled with struggles, victories, and ongoing challenges.

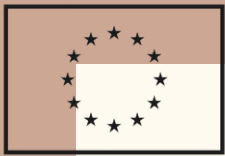
Today, we're going to explore some key moments in the fight for LGBTQ+ rights around the world. You'll work together to organize historical events, images, and dates to build a timeline of important achievements and challenges.

The goal is to understand the progress made and the obstacles that the LGBTQ+ community has faced in creating an inclusive society.



### Key Aims of the Timeline Activity:

- **Develop Historical Awareness:** Learn about significant events and achievements in the LGBTQ+ rights movement over the past two centuries.
- **Encourage Collaboration:** Work in groups to piece together the timeline, fostering teamwork and shared understanding.
- **Promote Critical Thinking:** Reflect on how these historical moments relate to current issues and your own perceptions of LGBTQ+ rights.
- **Inspire Empathy and Advocacy:** Understand the struggles and victories of the LGBTQ+ community and how this history informs the ongoing fight for equality.



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## Instructions for the Activity:



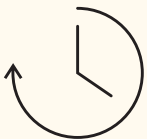
**You will be divided into small groups. Each group will receive:**

- Event Cards: Descriptions of important LGBTQ+ events.
- Year Cards: The dates when these events took place.
- Photo Cards: Images that represent the events.



**Your task is to match the event, year, and photo and place them in the correct chronological order.**

**Once you have arranged your timeline, your group will present it to the class.**



**Time Limit:** 20 minutes

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NICE**

### Rules for Group Work:

- Every group member should participate in discussing where each event fits in the timeline.
- Work together to match the Event Cards, Year Cards, and Photo Cards.
- Arrange the cards in the correct order on the timeline.
- Once you believe the timeline is accurate, review it and make any necessary changes before sharing with the class.
- Be ready to explain why you placed each event in its particular spot.



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# CARD

# 1



**Event:** Heinrich Hössli publishes the first essay advocating for same-sex love



**Description:** A pioneering work defending same-sex relationships at a time when homosexuality was widely condemned. Hössli's essay challenged prevailing norms and opened the door for future discussions about love between people of the same gender.



**Year:** 1836

**Picture:**





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# 2



**Event:** Karl-Heinrich Ulrichs begins advocating for gay rights



**Description:** Ulrichs is considered one of the first activists to publicly defend homosexuality as a natural human condition. He published works and spoke at public events, laying the foundation for future LGBTQ+ activism.



**Year:** 1860s–1870s

**Picture:**





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# 3



**Event:** Magnus Hirschfeld founds the first LGBTQ+ rights group in Berlin



**Description:** The Scientific-Humanitarian Committee was created to fight the criminalization of homosexuality. It became a critical organization in the early fight for LGBTQ+ rights in Germany and beyond.



**Picture:**

**Year:** 1897





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# CARD 4



**Event:** The Stonewall Riots in New York spark the modern LGBTQ+ rights movement

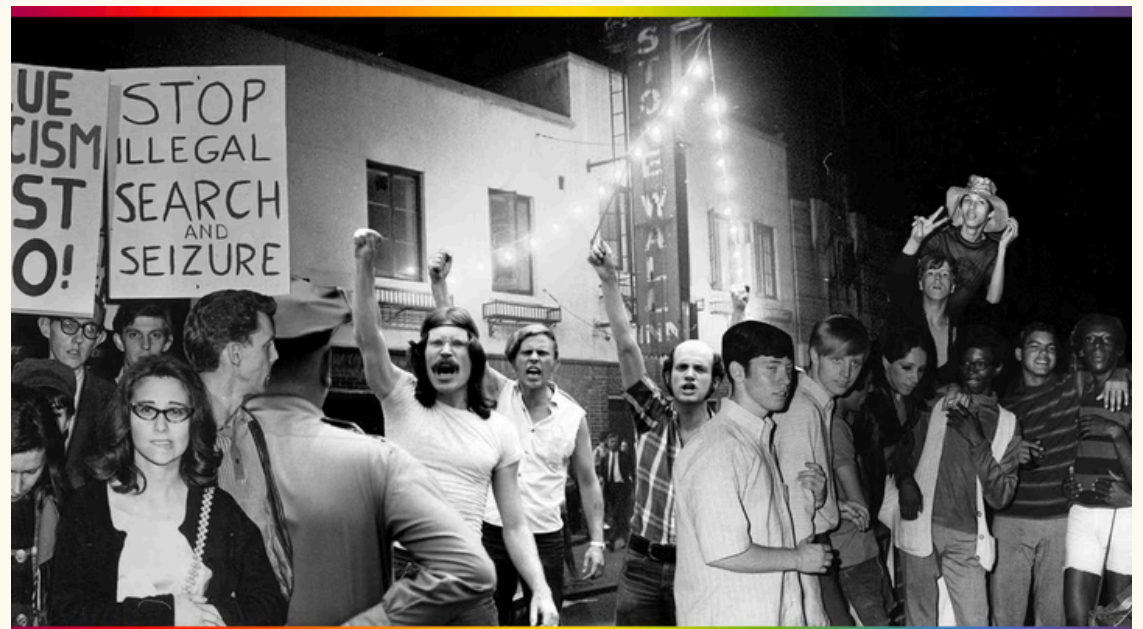


**Description:** The riots were a response to a police raid on the Stonewall Inn, a gay bar in New York. This event galvanized the LGBTQ+ community, leading to widespread political activism and the birth of the modern LGBTQ+ rights movement.



**Year:** 1969

**Picture:**







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# CARD 5



**Event:** Pride marches spread across major cities worldwide



**Description:** Pride marches, initially inspired by the Stonewall Riots, began as acts of protest and celebration of LGBTQ+ identity. These events grew quickly, raising visibility and awareness of LGBTQ+ rights and issues across the globe.



**Year:** 1970s

**Picture:**







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# 7



**Event:** The European Parliament calls for the decriminalization of homosexuality



**Description:** This moment marked a significant push for LGBTQ+ equality across Europe. The call for decriminalization reflected a growing global consensus for LGBTQ+ rights and pressured countries to adopt more inclusive laws.



**Year:** 1989

**Picture:**

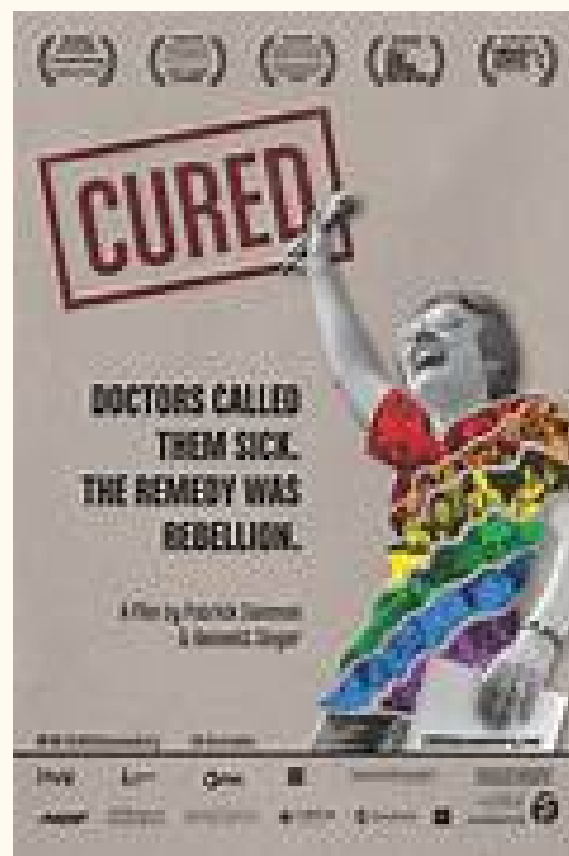


**Event:** The World Health Organization (WHO) removes homosexuality from its list of mental disorders

**Description:** A major victory for LGBTQ+ rights, this decision helped to destigmatize homosexuality around the world. It acknowledged that being LGBTQ+ is not a mental illness, laying the groundwork for further legal and social acceptance.

**Year:** 1990

**Picture:**





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# CARD 9



**Event:** Russia enacts anti-LGBTQ+ propaganda laws, facing global backlash



**Description:** Russia introduced laws banning "propaganda" of LGBTQ+ relationships to minors, leading to increased discrimination and human rights violations against the LGBTQ+ community. This sparked international condemnation and raised awareness about the ongoing fight for LGBTQ+ rights in regions with regressive policies.



**Year:** 2013

**Picture:**





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# CARD 10



**Event:** The U.S. Supreme Court legalizes same-sex marriage nationwide



**Description:** In a landmark ruling, the U.S. Supreme Court declared that same-sex couples had the right to marry in all 50 states. This decision was celebrated worldwide and became a key moment in the global fight for marriage equality.



**Year:** 2015

**Picture:**



# CARD 11



**Event:** Hungary bans LGBTQ+ content in schools, sparking EU criticism



**Description:** This law, which restricts the discussion of LGBTQ+ topics in schools, has been widely condemned across Europe. It represents ongoing struggles for LGBTQ+ rights in certain parts of the world, despite progress elsewhere.



**Year:** 2021

**Picture:**





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## Presentation of the Timeline and Discussion

- What patterns do you notice in LGBTQ+ history?
- Were there particular periods of progress or setbacks?
- Which event stood out to you the most? Why?
- Consider the impact of events like the Stonewall Riots or the WHO's decision to remove homosexuality from its list of disorders.
- How did external events (like the AIDS crisis or WWII) shape the LGBTQ+ rights movement?
- How has progress toward LGBTQ+ rights differed across the world?
- What role do you think activism plays in changing laws and social attitudes toward LGBTQ+ people?

## Reflection and Takeaway

Take a moment to reflect on these questions:

- What did you learn from the timeline activity that you didn't know before?
- Why is it important to understand LGBTQ+ history?
- What do you think still needs to be done to achieve full equality and inclusion for LGBTQ+ people?





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## Key Learning Points

- LGBTQ+ history is filled with both progress and setbacks, but it shows the power of activism in creating social and legal change.
- Events like the Stonewall Riots and the removal of homosexuality from the WHO's list of mental disorders are pivotal moments that have shaped LGBTQ+ rights today. Legal advancements in countries like the U.S. and European nations often influence LGBTQ+ rights movements and policies globally, leading to ripple effects in other regions.
- Understanding this history helps us appreciate the ongoing fight for equality and the importance of global solidarity in defending human rights.
- Activism, advocacy, and visibility remain crucial for achieving true inclusion and equality for all.
- Even with progress, challenges remain in many parts of the world, such as Russia's anti-LGBTQ+ laws or Hungary's school content ban, reminding us of the continuous fight for equality.





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