

# #13 Journal 5/21 (B Day 5/22)

How has being male or female affected your life?

How do you think your life would be different if you were born the opposite sex?

Explain

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# Sex vs Gender

## **Sex**

- Biological characteristics that define men and women
  - Chromosomes
  - Sex Organs
  - Sex Cells
- Objective/Scientific criteria
- Male and Female

## **Gender**

- Social and cultural category refers to socially constructed roles, behaviors, activities that a given society considers appropriate for men and women.
- Social criteria
- Masculine and Feminine

# Boy Toys vs Girl Toys

## **In your notebook**

Make a short list of what are generally considered boy toys and a list of what are generally considered girl toys.

What was your favorite toy growing up?

**Walmart**   
Save money. Live better.



**Bake<sup>®</sup> Oven  
ick Center™**  
ice cake and  
100% pure, always  
fresh, warming  
and toasting  
options  
available



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**Mojo Girls™  
Teenz™ Doll**  
Interchangeable  
eyes and lots of  
stylish features

# Boy Toys vs Girl Toys

## **In your notebook**

How might the toys children play with affect their understanding of gender norms and identity?

# Masculinity vs Femininity

## **In your notebook**

Have you ever been told to “act like a man”?

What was the context?

What does it mean to act like a man

Have you ever been told to “act like a lady”?

What was the context?

What does it mean to “act like a lady”

# Gender Boxes



# *Traditional Gender Stereotypes.*

## *Feminine.*

*Not aggressive.*  
*Dependent.*  
*Easily influenced.*  
*Submissive.*  
*Passive.*  
*Home-oriented.*  
*Easily hurt emotionally.*  
*Indecisive.*  
*Talkative.*  
*Gentle.*  
*Sensitive to other's feelings.*  
*Very desirous of security.*  
*Cries a lot.*  
*Emotional.*  
*Verbal.*  
*Kind.*  
*Tactful.*  
*Nurturing.*

## *Masculine.*

*Aggressive.*  
*Independent.*  
*Not easily influenced.*  
*Dominant.*  
*Active.*  
*Worldly.*  
*Not easily hurt emotionally.*  
*Decisive.*  
*Not at all talkative.*  
*Tough.*  
*Less sensitive to other's feelings.*  
*Not very desirous of security.*  
*Rarely cries.*  
*Logical.*  
*Analytical.*  
*Cruel.*  
*Blunt.*  
*Not nurturing.*

## #14 Journal 5/23 (B Day 5/24)

- What gender stereotype (role, behavior, action) does not apply to you?
- Is it a conscious choice? Do you feel guilt/shame?
- What are societies responses to you for not fulfilling that specific gender expectation?

# Agents of Socialization

## Family

- Different strategies for raising boys and girls



# Agents of Socialization

## Peers

- Friendships and relationships strengthen gender roles in society through behavior and activities



# Agents of Socialization

## Culture and Religion

- Gender roles vary depending on cultural norms and religious guidelines



# Agents of Socialization

## Media

- Media represents what we are supposed to look like



