

## 2SLGBTQIA+ Stereotypes

Avoid stereotypes unless you're subverting them or adding complexity to the character or story. Review content with an eye to unconsciously promoting stereotypes. Don't sideline 2SLGBTQIA+ characters. Understand the complexity of the 2SLGBTQIA+ communities including sexual orientation and gender identity as well as intersectional identities. Remember that someone's orientation or identity may be fluid.

*"I see the same thing over and over. I don't see bisexual stories. I don't get to see nonbinary characters. Movies about [gay] white boys are the ones that make it through, those are the ones that find the money and can put it together."*



*"The gay character will get killed off, often in a very tragic way and often right after they achieve happiness. It makes it so hard, especially as a young person, to watch that and to believe that you can be happy and that you can have a life, that you can live beyond a certain age and that you can find love and joy and acceptance."*

**1,000,000** Canadians are Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual or another sexual orientation other than heterosexual.  
**100,000** Canadians are transgender or non-binary.  
 Statistics Canada has no data on the intersectional identities within the 2SLGBTQIA+ communities.

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