

# THE DO'S AND DON'TS OF TALKING ABOUT TRANS PEOPLE



## DO'S



Use the person's current name and pronouns, even when talking about the past. (See "A Guide to Not Misgendering Trans People")

Use the correct and preferred terminology:

Noun - transgender person/woman/man

Adjective - transgender or trans

Verb - to transition

Only mention the person's trans identity when it is completely relevant, and only if the person has indicated that you may do so.

Research your questions online. There are many transgender educators and content creators online who have created ample resources to help you learn.



## DON'TS



Bring up the person's deadname or use their old pronouns, even when talking about the past.

Use outdated, incorrect, or offensive terms such as "transsexual", "transgenderED", "a transgender", "tr\*nny", etc.

Constantly mention the person's trans identity, introduce them as your "trans friend", or out them if they would rather keep their identity private.

Ask invasive personal and medical questions, or ask trans people to educate you on their identities and experiences.