

Now & Then: Being Jewish and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) in the UK

WORKSHEET 1: THE DOCUMENTARY



Take brief notes while you are watching the first part of NOW AND THEN:

1. What do you learn about the four interviewees in their introduction? (For example, full name, age, where are they from, what do they do for a living, how are they involved in community life):

ELLI	
PETER	
PEGGY	
SACHA	

2. ACRONYM HUNT: Extract the meaning of the following words and expressions:

Chavurah	Chuppah	Tallit
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Add them to JEWISH JARGON.

- 3. The PAST: Compare the similarities and differences the four interviewees recall about their upbringing, background and identity:
 - How did they feel about being gay?
 - What do they say about their coming out experience?
 - Was it ok to be Jewish and gay/lesbian when they were young

4. THE PRESENT: What do the interviewees say about reconciling their identities, being Jewish, and being LGBT? Was it easy to do bring both identities together? Is it easier now?

5. What do the interviewees say about same-sex relationships and marriage in Judaism? Do you get the impression there is a difference for LGBT people when it comes to progressive vs. traditional strands of Judaism in the UK?



6. The FUTURE: How do the participants of group 1 see the future of being Jewish & LGBT?