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### Activity: Research Norms

#### Learning objective

At the end of this activity you should be able to:

- analyse the changes over time in norms relating to homosexuality.

A. Using the link below, answer the questions that follow.

[http://www.stonewall.org.uk/at\\_home/history\\_of\\_lesbian\\_gay\\_and\\_bisexual\\_equality/default.asp](http://www.stonewall.org.uk/at_home/history_of_lesbian_gay_and_bisexual_equality/default.asp)

1. When were homosexual acts between men decriminalised, and what was then the age restriction?
2. When was homosexuality decriminalised in: a. Scotland; b. the Isle of Man; c. Northern Ireland?
3. When did lesbian parents receive legal recognition to conceive a child through fertility treatment?
4. When was the first lesbian and gay pride march held?
5. Why was Action for Lesbian Parents founded?
6. When was the first gay TV series?
7. When did the first gay MP 'come out' while in office?

B. From your answers to questions 1 to 7 and other information from the link, write a brief summary of how norms relating to homosexuality have changed over time. Use these headings:

- age of consent
- marriage
- employment
- childbearing
- discrimination.