

1. Which one of the following means to be attracted to members of the opposite sex? [1 mark]
A) sexuality B) homosexuality C) **heterosexuality** D) transgender
2. Give two reasons why the age of consent is set at 16 in the UK. [2 marks]
You are physically mature enough/ puberty has occurred/ you are emotionally mature/ you can get a job/ you can marry with parents permission
3. Explain two key aspects of sex for Christians. [4 marks]
**Builds a special bond> one flesh> united together> support in difficulty
Open to procreation> new life> “be fruitful and increase in number”**
4. Explain two reasons why religious people may disagree with homosexual relationships. [5 marks]
**Forbidden in the Bible> in the Tenakh/ Old Testament and the New Testament> “do not lie with a man as one lies with a woman it is an abomination.”
Prevents procreation> “be fruitful”
Unnatural> goes against God’s plan of Adam and Eve etc**

5. 'Christians who are homosexual should be celibate.'

[12 marks]

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It is fine to be homosexual but not to act on it. Living Out is a Christian charity which supports homosexuals who choose to live celibate lives. You can live a celibate life and not miss out, like Jesus, St Paul and the Pope

Some disagree:

God made us in his own image > he wouldn't make a mistake > if he made someone homosexual this was his plan for them and they should fulfil this aspect of their life. Why should someone miss out on a romantic, loving relationship just because of their sexuality? Jesus may have spoken about marriage but never dismissed homosexuality out right. In today's culture, homosexual sex is perfectly acceptable. Gay marriage is now legal