

Gender thoughts survey

I previously did a qualitative survey asking a number of men how they differ from other men with respect to their thoughts, feelings, experiences, philosophies and traits regarding being male. They brought up a number of themes, and now I would like to ask you about the themes they brought up, in order to explore how men feel about gender in a more general sense.

** Indicates required question*

1. Prolific ID *

What is your Prolific ID?

Gender thoughts

Please answer each of the following questions to the best of your ability.

2. Do you try to hide or downplay things that might be considered embarrassing for you? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes, very much
- ☐ Yes, somewhat
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ No
- ☐ No, I draw attention to them

3. Do you go out of your way to understand other's point of view in conflicts with them? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ No

4. Overall, would you say you tend to see femininity as good or bad? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Good
- ☐ Bad
- ☐ Depends/no strong opinion

5. Overall, would you say you tend to see masculinity as good or bad? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Good
- ☐ Bad
- ☐ Depends/no strong opinion

6. Do you like wearing "women's clothes" such as dresses etc.? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

7. Did dress up in your female family member's clothes as a child? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Many times

8. How often do you cry? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Less than yearly
- ☐ Between yearly and monthly
- ☐ Between monthly and weekly
- ☐ Several times per week
- ☐ Daily or more

9. Do you wear lipstick? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often

10. Do you carry a handbag? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Usually

11. Have you gotten into many fights in your life? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Almost none
- ☐ No, only few
- ☐ Yes

12. Do you find it more interesting to be in the company of men or women? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Men
- ☐ Women
- ☐ Both are equally interesting

13. Which of the following body types is closer to yours? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Twink - thin, youthful, hairless
- ☐ Twunk - slender, youthful, hairless and athletic
- ☐ Otter - also slender and youthful but with more body hair
- ☐ Hunk - muscular and bulky
- ☐ Bear or cub - thick, lots of body hair

14. Would you say your face is more pretty or handsome? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Pretty
- ☐ Handsome
- ☐ Neither

15. Have your female friends "dolloed you up"? *

E.g. put makeup on you and/or dressed you in feminine clothes?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Once or twice
- ☐ Occasionally
- ☐ Often

16. Do you like wearing spandex? *

A tight, elastic clothing material that is often used for bathing/sports clothes as well as other things.

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

17. Do you like to follow sports competitions? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

18. Do you discuss celebrity fashion with your friends? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Regularly

19. What was the gender ratio of your family members you grew up around? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Mostly female
- ☐ About balanced
- ☐ Mostly male

20. Did you get bullied as a child? *

Mark only one oval per row.

	No/minimally	Significantly	Enormously
By boys	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
By girls	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

21. Did you enjoy football as a child? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

22. Were your friends mostly boys or girls as a child? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Mostly boys
- ☐ About equally many of either
- ☐ Mostly girls

23. As a child, did you and your friends often make fun of each other? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

24. How much time have you spent discussing LGBT topics? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ None
- ☐ Very little
- ☐ Some amount
- ☐ A ton

25. Are you carefully observant of how other people act in social situation? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

26. Do you regularly bake stuff as a hobby? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes

27. How often do you learn about how machines work? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often

28. Do you believe there is a different between biological sex and gender? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

29. How do you feel about being gay? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Happy, good or proud
- ☐ Neutral/ambivalent
- ☐ Dissatisfied, bad, or ashamed

30. Do you have a strong preference for masculinity in your male partners? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Kind of, feminine male partners will also do
- ☐ No, I am equally attracted to both masculine and feminine men
- ☐ No, I prefer feminine men

31. Do you tend to find gay men or straight men to be more sexually attractive? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Gay men are more attractive
- ☐ Straight men are more attractive
- ☐ They are equally attractive

32. Are your physical features relatively androgynous/feminine? *

Compared to other men.

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes/Kind of

☐ No

33. Is it important to you that your family approves of your lifestyle? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ Yes

☐ Kind of

☐ No

34. Who do you think is treated better by society? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ Non-transgender men who are exclusively attracted to men

☐ Transgender women (MtFs) who are exclusively attracted to men

35. Do you think you would have more sexual opportunities if you were a woman? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ No

☐ Yes

36. Do you prefer bright feminine colors, such as pink? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

37. Do you tend to wear scarves and/or hats made out of wool? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes

38. Do you prefer to spend your free time at home or going out to places? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ At home
- ☐ Going out to places

39. Do you prefer hanging around men or women? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Men
- ☐ Women
- ☐ Either/balance

40. Do you feel that you've made a mess of your life, and would like a clean slate to start over? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

41. Do you think straight men or gay men tend to have a more pleasant personality? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Gay men
- ☐ Straight men
- ☐ About the same

42. Do you get along better with straight men or gay men? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Gay men
- ☐ Straight men
- ☐ About the same

43. Do you think being gay is a big obstacle to being normal? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ No

44. Do you think gender is a social construct? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ No

45. Do you tend to think of masculinity and femininity as being like 'energies' that people may have different mixtures of? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ No

46. Do you tend to treat others in loving and caring ways? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ No

47. Do people tend to say that you behave like a woman? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Regularly

48. Do people tend to say that you look feminine in your appearance? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Regularly

49. How open are you about being gay? *

If it depends a lot on the space you are in, answer for the space you inhabit the most

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Out, proud, and loud - I make sure everyone knows
- ☐ I don't hide anything, and feel free to e.g. reference my boyfriend when relevant, but I don't generally tend to bring it up
- ☐ I try to downplay or hide it

50. Do you think men or women are treated worse by society? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Women
- ☐ Men
- ☐ It's about equal

51. Who do you think tend to be kinder to others? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Women
- ☐ Men
- ☐ It's about equal

52. Do you enjoy wearing jewelry, such as necklaces and earrings? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

53. Do you enjoy wearing makeup? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

54. Do you like to wear clothes that show off your body? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

55. Do you use skincare products? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes

56. How feminine have the women in your life tended to be? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Very feminine
- ☐ Somewhat feminine
- ☐ Not so feminine

57. Would you use female avatars in video games? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Always

58. Did you feel ashamed of being gay during your teens? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Slightly
- ☐ Somewhat
- ☐ Very

59. Did you more tend to have male or female role models when growing up? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Male role models
- ☐ Female role models
- ☐ Equally much both
- ☐ Neither

60. Do you think "masculinity"/"femininity" might be a dichotomy men made up to control/manipulate others? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Maybe
- ☐ Definitely

61. How tall are you? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Shorter than 5'4"/163 cm
- ☐ Between 5'4"/163 cm and 5'6"/168 cm
- ☐ Between 5'6"/168 cm and 5'8"/173 cm
- ☐ Between 5'8"/173 cm and 5'10"/178 cm
- ☐ Between 5'10"/178 cm and 6'0"/183 cm
- ☐ Between 6'0"/183 and 6'2"/188 cm
- ☐ Taller than 6'2"/188 cm

62. Have you watched media depicting feminine guys who get mistaken for girls? *
- Excluding erotic media; only answer based on ordinary media that is mostly not about erotic themes.

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ A bit
- ☐ Some
- ☐ A lot

63. Did you get bullied for being feminine as a child? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No/minimally
- ☐ Somewhat
- ☐ Extremely

64. Do you like elaborate stained glass lamps? *



Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

65. Did you play with dolls as a child? *

Like barbie dolls/Bratz dolls/similar; action figures don't count.

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often

66. How often are you afraid other men will act violently towards you? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often

67. Do you think society tends to see the purpose of women as being little servants *
for men?

Regardless of whether you agree with that view

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

68. Do you think biology makes it easier to be a woman or to be a man? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Woman
- ☐ Man
- ☐ It's equal/not comparable

69. As a child, did you tend to take on "traditionally female" roles in play? *

For instance playing house and cooking/cleaning for the family

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often

70. Do you enjoy doing interior design as a hobby? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

71. Do you have a hobby of doing fabric crafts, such as knitting, crocheting, weaving, or similar? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

72. Do you like to turn things into competitions? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

73. How do you handle your emotions? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Try to keep them under control
- ☐ Let them be free
- ☐ Other/mixture

74. How sexually involved have you been with women? *

Pick the last that applies if multiple apply.

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ None at all
- ☐ I have had sex with a woman
- ☐ I have had a long-term relationship with a woman
- ☐ I have been married to a woman
- ☐ I have had a child with a woman

75. Do you feel connected to the gay community? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

76. Do you enjoy playing masculine video games? *

Video games of genres that are mostly played by men, such as sports, racing, shooter, strategy, MOBA, sandbox, city building, platformer, or similar.

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

77. Do you find it easy or hard to talk with other gay men about sexuality? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Easy
- ☐ Hard
- ☐ Inbetween/it depends/other

78. How do you feel about Jordan Peterson *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Like him
- ☐ Dislike him
- ☐ No strong opinion
- ☐ Never heard of him

79. Can people tell that you are gay by your voice? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

80. Do you enjoy taking care of children? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

81. Do you get really annoyed by foolish people? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

82. If things (such as a meeting) seem to be going nowhere, what would you be more likely to do? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Zone out
- ☐ Take charge and get things going

83. Which body type would you find more attractive? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Twink - thin, youthful, hairless
- ☐ Bear - thick, lots of body hair
- ☐ Hunk - muscular and bulky

84. Do you feel very different from straight men? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

85. Do you think your partners should be monogamous, only being intimate with you and not others? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
☐ Yes

86. Do you go to gay pride parade? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes, I try to participate every year
☐ Sometimes
☐ No

87. Do you go to gay bars? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Never
☐ Rarely
☐ Sometimes
☐ Regularly

88. Are you good at sports? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
☐ Kind of
☐ Yes

89. Do you like engaging in sports? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

90. Do you engage in weightlifting? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No/rarely
- ☐ Regularly
- ☐ With great commitment

91. Do you engage in jogging or other cardio exercise? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No/rarely
- ☐ Regularly
- ☐ With great commitment

92. Do you think there is a genetic element to whether people like being masculine * or feminine?

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Yes

93. Did you grow up in a very patriarchal household with a strong male lead? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
☐ Kind of
☐ Yes

94. Did your parents teach you that boys shouldn't cry? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
☐ Kind of
☐ Yes

95. Are you always ready to do work that requires you to get dirty, such as fixing a car, or working in mud? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
☐ Kind of
☐ Yes

96. Do you like drag? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
☐ Kind of
☐ Yes

97. Do you like wild parties with loud dance music? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

98. Do you feel the fit in better in straight or gay culture? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Straight culture
- ☐ Gay culture
- ☐ I don't fit in to either

99. Do you think gay men or straight women are treated worse by society? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Gay men
- ☐ Straight women
- ☐ It's not comparable/it's about the same

100. Do you feel uncomfortable when straight men talk about sex around you? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

101. Do you feel you were always gay, or that you started out straight and turned gay? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Was always gay
- ☐ Started out straight and turned gay
- ☐ Other: _____

102. Do you feel uncomfortable about "camp" men? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

103. Do you try hard to come off as having an aura of confidence? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

104. When you first learned about what being gay meant, was this a positive or negative experience? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Positive
- ☐ Negative
- ☐ Neither

105. Do you spend more time appreciating male beauty or female beauty? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ Female beauty

☐ Male beauty

106. How relatable is the following: "Seeing men being men feeds my soul" *

Mark only one oval.

☐ Not at all

☐ Somewhat

☐ Very

107. Do you feel the gay community is excessively focused on youth and fitness? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ No

☐ Kind of

☐ Definitely

108. Do you feel you have a community that celebrates maleness? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ No

☐ Kind of

☐ Yes

109. Do you feel the gay community helps you being expressive? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

110. Did you struggle with being as masculine as you were expected to be while growing up? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

111. How different do you think different society's ideas of masculinity and femininity are? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ They have basically the same notion of masculinity/femininity
- ☐ They have mostly different ideas of masculinity/femininity
- ☐ They have somewhat different but also somewhat similar ideas of masculinity/femininity

112. Do you think society treats gay men as being lesser men/not real men? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

113. Do you feel you have a strong sense of adventure? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

114. Do you think men are paid more money for the same work than women are? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Yes

115. Do you have a hard time controlling your anger? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

116. Do you think it would be a big change to your life if you were a woman? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

117. Were the men you grew up around particularly rugged/muscular/blue-collar types? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

118. Do you naturally tend to end up successful and popular? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

119. Do you think straight men often make women hide their intelligence? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

120. Do you tend to be open about your emotions? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Depends a lot
- ☐ No

121. Do you feel comfortable asking others for help with things? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Depends a lot
- ☐ No

122. Are you good at understanding how other people feel? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Depends a lot
- ☐ No

123. Do you feel in touch with your feelings? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

124. Are you good at understanding other's emotions? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

125. How do you think is a healthy way to face new and complex things? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ Be open-minded

☐ Be cautious

126. Are you artistic? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ No

☐ Kind of

☐ Yes

127. Do you like working with plants? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ No

☐ Kind of

☐ Yes

128. Do you tend to be more quiet/introverted or more talkative/extraverted? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ Talkative/extraverted

☐ Ambiverted/it depends

☐ Quiet/introverted

129. Are you good at standing up to people who mistreat you? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

130. Do you feel that you are as important as other men? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No, I am "lower-ranking"
- ☐ Yes, they are my equals
- ☐ Yes, I am more important than them

131. How often do you do outdoors activities, such as hikes? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Regularly

132. Do you spend a lot of time with other people? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ No

133. Have you had a lot of male friends? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ No

134. Are you good at flirting? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

135. Do you tend to be stubborn? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

136. Are you "successful" at achieving what is expected of men? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

137. Do you feel that you have high testosterone levels? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No higher than other men
- ☐ Yes, unusually high-testosterone
- ☐ No, probably lower than other men
- ☐ I have no guess

138. Do people around you see you as a leader? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

139. Have you had a lot of financial difficulties and/or other material struggle? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

140. Do you feel that people falsely assume you to be more mean and dangerous than you are, due to you being male? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes

141. Do you wish you knew more about crazy exotic experiences, like what it is like to be an animal? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
☐ Kind of
☐ Yes

142. Did you have unusual, "outsider", interests as a kid? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
☐ Kind of
☐ Definitely

143. Do you feel that society has a stereotype of men as being excessively stupid and domineering? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No
☐ Kind of
☐ Yes

144. Are you more of a top or a bottom? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Top
☐ Bottom
☐ Versatile
☐ Neither, e.g. don't like anal sex

Gender identity

145. If you had the opportunity to magically try being female, with the option of switching back, how long would you try? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ Not at all
- ☐ About a day
- ☐ About a month
- ☐ About a year
- ☐ Forever

146. If you were to suddenly magically become a woman, how confusing would it feel? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ It would leave me adrift, with my self-understanding and place in the world screwed up like a crumbled ball of paper
- ☐ It would be quite a big change that would shock me to an extent, but I could hold on to my life
- ☐ While its physical impossibility makes it surprising, I don't think I would feel that much of a personal shock
- ☐ I would find it comforting rather than shocking

147. If you somehow magically became a woman in mind and body, would you still consider that to be "you"? *

Mark only one oval.

- ☐ No, a female "me" would no longer be me
- ☐ Kind of
- ☐ Yes, a female "me" would still be me

148. Do you think you could be happy if you were a woman? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ No

☐ Don't know

☐ Yes

149. How often do you daydream about being or becoming a woman? *

Mark only one oval.

☐ Never

☐ Rarely

☐ Sometimes

☐ Often

End

150. Do you have any comments?

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