Imagine gender as a planet.

All people grow up somewhere on that planet, most in Ladyland or in Manlandia. Lots of people are comfortable where they're born and stay in that same area their whole lives.

Some people, though, are citizens of Manlandia but are born in Ladyland. Just like in the real world, you can't tell someone's citizenship by looking at them; it's very personal. As we get older we may want to move to a place where we are more comfortable.

**CISGENDER**

describes you if you're most comfortable in the gender you were assigned at birth.

Each identityland has its own language of pronouns & words specific to the residents.

Borders change over time.

Sometimes immigrants are treated as second-class citizens.

New islands are often discovered.

Some identitylands have more resources & power than others.

Some identities are populated entirely by travelers.

**TRANS GENDER**

Anyone who crosses borders to live outside their expected gender land could be described as transgender.