

Do	Don't
Ask what is your preferred name and pronouns? You could introduce yourself by saying your name and saying "I'm Stacey she/her"	Ask if I am a girl or a boy (this is offensive to the trans community)
Check with me who I want to know about my preferred name and pronouns and when and where I use them	Assume I use my preferred name and pronouns all the time (this is sometimes about trying to survive in an unkind community, you could make any discrimination or bullying I am facing worse)
Treat me as an individual even if you have worked with other transgender children	Assume every transgender person's experiences are the same
Allow me to share what I feel comfortable with	Ask me questions about my private parts, such as "will you have surgery one day?". This is invasive and private to me. AND Don't feel offended if I don't want to talk to you about something
Ask me questions that you would ask a cis-gendered child	Ask questions that you wouldn't ask a cis-gendered child
Use my name and pronouns, say sorry if you accidentally get it wrong and move on. Don't make a big deal out of it and try not to do it again	Use my 'dead name'. This is a term used to refer to my name that I was given at birth. It's extremely hurtful to use that name. OR Say "just tell me off or point out if I get your pronouns wrong". This makes me feel like you aren't trying
Check the wording you have used in my assessment with me. Have an open mind and want to learn. Educate yourself and research on websites such as https://mermaidsuk.org.uk/ https://www.stonewall.org.uk/our-work/campaigns/supporting-trans-children-and-young-people	Ask my parents all about my experiences of being transgender, ask me instead