










# Swear words sex words - intro exercise

 <b>TIME</b>	<p>15-30 min</p>
 <b>No.</b>	<p>any</p>
 <b>MATERIALS</b>	<p>Black board or flip chart</p>
 <b>OBJECTIVES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Icebreaker</li> <li>• Helps tuning to the topic and also to critical thinking</li> <li>• Facilitators can get an impression of the group, some information as well</li> </ul>
 <b>INSTRUCTION</b> <b>S STEP BY</b> <b>STEP</b>	<p>Ask participants to collect on the blackboard all kinds of swearwords they know. Encourage them not to be shy the task (!) is that we have to collect as many as possible.</p>

 <p>DISCUSSIONS</p>	<p>Facilitate a discussion based on the words on the table.</p> <p>Ask the group what do they think why so many swearwords have something to do with sexuality.</p> <p>You can begin to go through all the words asking their concrete meanings. You might want to ask your participants how did they feel themselves (at a professional training / or students in the classroom) writing swearwords on the table.</p> <p>You can talk about double standards regarding gender based on the words on the table. Also about the negativity of sexuality in the language. You can also address the topic: do we have other words for sexuality.</p>
 <p>HINTS</p>	<p>Don't be afraid of this activity. The best if facilitators lead the session by their curiosity - try to explore language, social biases with the group together. You might want to explore in which contexts do we use those words and which contexts not. Let's imagine this activity as a door where you enter to sexuality ; be creative, the group might end up talking about something might become relevant later.</p>
 <p>THIS ACTIVITY ONLINE</p>	<p>This activity can be done online. Using Jamboard is a good idea.</p>
 <p>THEORY</p>	<p>This activity has been developed by Dora Djamila Mester @ ArsErotica Foundation &amp; In Touch Amsterdam.</p>

