

# EPISODE 7: KITTY – FACTIONS IN ALT-SEX COMMUNITIES

# Quenby

Hello and welcome to Desert Island Dildos - your friendly neighbourhood podcast all about sex and sexuality. With me today is Kitty, tell us a bit about yourself.

#### **Kitty**

Hi, I'm Kitty, I am a- so many boxes ticked, I am a bisexual plus sized woman of colour with ADHD and bipolar disorder, who's a sex worker and a polyamorous slut, and several things that's me. Hello.

#### Quenby

Yeah, I think, when we were like, organising for you to come on podcast, we ended up like comparing lists of all of the things, and I just keep forgetting things. I keep, I kept on like being like, oh yeah probably have autism, forgot about that one. So what would you like to talk about.

#### **Kitty**

Well, I think all of that kind of ties into how I kind of bounce around a lot of different spaces and kind of inhabit a lot of liminal spaces as well. It's kind of, you know, I'm bisexual so I'm queer but not queer enough and I mixed race so I'm black, but not black enough but in particularly with the sex stuff, like I'm polyamorous, I'm a swinger. I'm a kinkster and I'm a sex worker, and those different groups tend to kind of dislike each other a little bit or distance themselves, and they are all distinct parts of who I am and how I express my sexuality and all the rest, and they don't really overlap that much, but I am all of the above. And so I am a slut, and I'm a whore and they're different things but they're both me and you can get a lot of kind of cliques, and a lot of different groups who "oh we're not like the other kinksters" You know "we're not like the other pervert," or you know, "oh, it's all about my love and romantic life and therefore I definitely don't want to talk about my sex life and I definitely don't like orgies" and it's like well actually I do. They're separate things and yes my polyamorous love life has, has lots of different relationships and partners that I'm deeply in love with and you know I, I happen to have married one of my partners and he's asexual and like you know that's a romantic partnership there with no

sexual, you know that's that's not how we relate to one another. That's not any more or lesser than my partners I have sex with all my partners I have a kinky dynamic with and it doesn't mean that I don't like just having sex because sex is fun. And it doesn't mean that if I have sex for money, that that has any implications about my sex and my personal life and all that kind of vice versa, but you get a lot of kinds offrom from marginalised communities which you would think would be a little bit more like hey we're open and we're all doing our own thing. You get a lot of like, oh no we're not like those lot, you know, they like to do this sort of thing and I would hate to be considered to be like them and then you have to awkwardly be like "I do that too"

## Quenby

It brings to mind a little bit for the split in the LGBT community, between -I'm going to say it - white, cis, gay men often are in a position of I'll look down on anyone who doesn't fit into that it's like, so you're repeating the thing which has been done to you? What really pisses me off is being pansexual, sometimes you come across bisexual people who have that second layer of discrimination, who then still like be like ugh pansexual why are you thing? And it's like really? Could you not see the pattern here?

#### **Kitty**

Yeah, I totally get that. I mean I prefer the word bi, just because that's what I've related to since childhood. There's kind of so much infighting between labels when ultimately, there are some differences to some people, but there's lots of argument about what definitions are and I don't mind if people prefer the term pan, I don't mind if people prefer the term bi. I do mind if people decide to redefine other people's different identities, I've been told, like, Oh, you're not bi because you've dated non binary people, and therefore, I have decided despite you know, decades of bisexual history that I've decided now that bisexual can only mean cis men and cis women and anything else you know you must be biphobic or transphobic, with their own biphobic and transphobic definitions of everything. and it's like no actually I I'm attracted to all sorts of people and you don't get to tell me how to identify and equally, it would be really shitty if I was like stop using the word pansexual because I don't like the way you identify it like at the end of the day I just prefer the purple in the flag to the yellow.

#### Quenby

It's kind of natural that you form cliques or sort of close groups around these things because it can be very personal, it can be very intimate like I have like close friends who are the people I will be more comfortable, like being kinky around or more comfortable going to an orgy with so in one sense, I think it's quite natural to form those kind of close friendship groups. I think the issue is when you start defining yourself and defining that identity as superior to others,

#### **Kitty**

Or just in opposition, like even within sex work you've got the whorearchy and you'll end up sometimes with for example some strippers saying like, Yes, I suppose I'm a sex worker but I, I don't, I don't have sex with clients I just don't I don't make porn, we get to potentially someone who's who might be a pro Dom, being like, Oh, it's a very academic cerebral thing because it's kink and not sex and that's different, when at the end of the day, broader society shits on all of us, and doesn't care what you do they care that they, they think you're, you know, whatever various things you want to throw at sex workers, and we're all in that together

#### Quenby

And trying to like divide the community into a respectable, okay, part and a less respectable part is just such a classic example of like being divided, and that getting in the way of, you know, pushing for real liberation - pushing for acceptance for all of these groups. If you're, if you're infighting and tearing each other down or trying to differentiate yourself from- that's so much energy which could be better spent being like, You know what, we all have different experiences we all do different things. But the problem here is the fucking patriarchy

# **Kitty**

And general extended kyriarchy - I'm never sure on the pronunciation on that is the all of the intersections of like white supremacy and patriarchy and ableism and homophobia and all of that and there is a big word for it and I wish I'd looked up the pronunciation before this. Kyriarchy, it's KY riarchy. Like the lube.

#### Quenby

I did have a moment though where I was like, I don't know of any lubes called riarchy. You've talked a bit about your general experience. Could you give us any examples of like specific ways this has manifested in your experience.

#### **Kitty**

Sure, so Okay, take the Fetish community. There's a lot of, I mean even, even within that you kind of have lots of we're the old guard who believe in one true way to dominate someone and all of that and that's its own little mess but a lot of fetish events are held in swingers clubs as a venue because there aren't very many venues that have all the right licencing and things, so you end up with a group of people going into a space that wasn't specifically designed for them, but is the space that is most useful for them. And then you end up with lots of commentary of like,

you know, whatever disparaging remarks about like, oh the swingers. They you know they're all about the sex and it's nothing, you know, they didn't know anything about. And there's also, like, I mean I'm not a very good swinger it's been established that if I go to a swingers club, a swingers night, I will likely show up with an established partner, play with that person and go home, not having played with strangers because I just, I'll talk to them and get into conversation and a completely forgotten that they think that that's, you know, oh, but we've been talking for half an hour I thought you were coming on to me. Oh, I just thought it was a nice chat, but you know you can still get some exhibitionist and voyeuristic kids from just playing with someone in a party atmosphere. Anyway, I digress. But if you're in this space on a kink night then suddenly it's you know, the idea that someone might have met someone recently without a long term collared dynamic of Dom-sub or whatever, or that someone you know might like sex rather than just beating their partner for fun of it, which is also all good fun, it becomes almost this reverse taboo of like you know they can do all of the all of the kinky stuff it's fine, do all your rope do all your impact play lovely. What do you mean sex, oh no we don't do that here. And then you kind of if you do go on a swingers night. Oh, I was I was here recently, I was, I was doing a flogging demo and that was lots of fun though that like, What do you mean you do all that that nasty deviant perverted stuff. I don't understand why anyone would do anything other than - it's like you're allowed to not understand that there's this, this real kind of animosity, especially if there's like a changeover of the kinksters are there in the afternoon and swingers are there in the evening. And I think there's like a different approach to the general atmosphere like kinksters are always very very pro consent and you need to be obviously, especially if you're playing with the more dangerous stuff, whereas swingers I think you're more likely to have a party thing going, like most kink events that I've been to have been like no alcohol as a general rule for safety, which is entirely reasonable people playing with, you know, various implements and dangerous things that need to be absolutely in the right headspace for that. Whereas swingers you just kind of need to be alright enough to put a condom on as long as you're not drunk off, you know past the point of consent, you can have a party night and have a bit more of a casual approach to things. And there's major kind of arguments, and whatever about like they don't let you drink, those people are nasty people who have wine and then also have sex. And it's like a whole. There doesn't need to be an argument you do different things and some people like kinky sex and where do they go. I think that a lot of the kink scene has this kind of approach that it's all very kind of academic and above your bestial instincts of sex and so much deeper and darker because you'd like to tie your partner up or whatever it is. And there is something I think in a long term DS dynamic which hits a certain spot that sex, for me, does not mess with my brain in the same fun ways, sure, but the way that then communities can look down on each other and kind of, when you are already seen by wider society as being filthy and rubbish and wrong. To then look at another group and say, you're filthy and rubbish and wrong, just is ridiculous.

### Quenby

Perhaps I'm coming at this, because you know, I have much more experience in the kink scene than any of the other communities, you've talked about, I find it really ironic for kind of an article of faith, in the kink scene is your kink is not my kink and that's okay, and then turn around and saying, but what you're into, as a swinger is wrong and weird to me.

## **Kitty**

But at the same time, I have a like certain amount of frustration with vanilla communities who rather than owning their vanillaness will claim to be super kinky, and there is nothing wrong with being vanilla. I wholeheartedly believe if all you want to do is lights off socks on missionary, go for it. But when you- it's usually when you're trying to like, meet someone and match with someone somewhere and they're like, Oh I'm so kinky. Oh, okay, well, what're you into and you're wondering, they might have some kind of dark and interesting fantasies, and they're like, oh, one time I did anal, and you're like Oh, okay. And like there's nothing wrong with being vanilla but if you're just gonna describe a sex act- if your kink is blowjobs. Then please just say I like sex, and that's okay. You don't have to. I don't know how much of this is kind of coming from like the Fetish scene if like you know we've got to be the kinkiest motherfuckers that ever did a kink but it's like there's a certain amount of like, oh wow, okay, you, you spanked someone once that, that's nice. And I don't want to be that patronising kink scene person but there's a certain element of like, okay, Why did you say you were kinky and like it, it's absolutely fine to have vanilla sex, go have as much vanilla sex as you and your partner's want.

#### Quenby

I feel like this is less coming from the kink scene and more from wider culture, because I think,

#### **Kitty**

But I think there's potentially an element of because people look down on vanilla sex from the kink community, there's people saying, oh no I'm not like that I do interesting things. And it's like just just enjoy what you're doing you know?

#### Quenby

Oh absolutely within the kink scene there is definitely, kinkier than thou elements. I think there is definitely an element of wider culture kind of like kink in the abstract, but if not in the specific, can be seen as something which is fun and exciting and dangerous and I hate to talk about it but like 50 Shades of Grey. I would like to make

clear I fucking hate 50 Shades of Grey, I hate how it misrepresents BDSM I hate how it's just a badly written book.

## **Kitty**

I've not read it, I've not watched it and yet I have so many opinions about it. I've seen enough extracts of just straight up abuse and it's like, Who taught you this was kink, like, and it seems this is someone who has never encountered anything kinkwise and just thought about it and just went wildly off on a different direction. And I know it's Twilight fanfiction but it's just kind of like, oh, consent, please come on. She used the safe word and he ignored it, that's that's not okay on any level like

### Quenby

You could tell it's fanfiction it very much reads as someone who has never had kinky sex who wrote kinky fanfiction about their favourite book series without any idea about how kink or sometimes even sex works, but like, putting aside my personal distaste for, it is a huge cultural thing it has mainstreamed, some ideas of kink as desirable and I think that's potentially where people come at it, where that drive to describe yourself as kinky, even if you're not particularly, I think, is because that is, you know, picked up on as, Oh this is exciting and appealing and I think that does partly come through pop culture.

## **Kitty**

I think also, people just don't talk enough about sex, and what that means to them. I think people, especially if you are straight, and cis, and all the things that you've been told it's the default, where you've never really had to overthink or talk about what sex means to you, or how you express your sexuality. If you've never been kind of, I think, you know, it's the same as say um, I, I am polyamorous I have lots of monogamous friends, and sometimes I will, they will say something, and I'll just be absolutely stunned because it's just a conversation they've not had with their partner. And I'm like, you can absolutely have a healthy monogamous relationship, but the amount of things which I come at them, which is essentially just polyamorous principles of like, please like, communicate with your partners. And please, have these conversations and I think if you've never been taught that you need to have a conversation about things, about what sex and sexuality means to you and what that is, then everyone has their own different definitions and they're not talking about it, so they might be talking at cross purposes without realising that they are. So if someone says, I, you know, I'm really kinky in the bedroom to one person, that means, oh, I might wear an outfit, and I might get spanked and to another person that means like choke me until I'm unconscious and shove some nettles up my bum or whatever, they've got different ideas. And if they don't, unpack that and have a communication about these are the things I'm like these are the things I'm unsure of these are the things that I, I don't want to do this, these are things that I only want to

do in certain contexts. Then, they don't have that kind of overarching understanding between them, and then you get people who, who then cross a line, because they thought, if one person says this is, You know, this is what I'm into. And then someone says, excellent. Me too. And then they do something and the other person goes That's not what I meant because they haven't actually talked about it.

#### Quenby

Yeah, and I think it's, again it comes down to the questions of of consent, and like in the kink scene there's very much to focus on consent needs to be explicitly stated and specific.

### **Kitty**

Yes, that's a major difference, I think, in the approach to consent, if you're a kink event. Someone might oh please may I please may I touch this paddle please may I as everything will be asked, you know, Can I Can I hug you, whatever, everything is absolutely affirmative consent from the beginning. Know what, nothing is done. And one of the things I dislike about a lot of swinging etiquette is there's a kind of assumption of No means no. But there's no need for yes means yes. So I've suddenly have someone touching my leg. They're waiting for me to kind of say no or be into it but they've already touched my leg, and I'm like, What are you doing and they're like well you're in a swingers club and I'm like, but that's not consent to you touching me. You haven't asked, and that's a real culture difference I think in the kink and swings.

#### Quenby

Absolutely and in, in the example you gave, like, the issue with opt out consent so having to say no, as opposed to having to say yes if you freeze up which is a very common, trauma response then you're not going to get the no because you're not physically capable of saying no.

### **Kitty**

Yeah, I used to go out with my now ex girlfriend quite a lot. And we had a little bit of a DS dynamic and I'm usually submissive, but in that relationship I was the top, and anytime we went out somewhere she was often. She was someone who could go to swingers clubs and meet someone and play with him, but I would essentially be to be her kind of check in, I don't want to say like guard dog kind of thing but you know she would feel more confident, giving me a look or, you know me checking in with her and being like, you know, are you alright with this person and all the rest and all that and talking to me, then feeling able to kind of not confront- but kind of have that active confrontation yeah to push through it because she, you know, that kind of, oh,

I'm going to be polite, and I'm going to just kind of deal with it, and I, I would be the person there to check in and be like, hello, this person seems to be wanting to do this, what are your feelings on that and make her verbalise and therefore she could feel more confident in being in that situation, and she wouldn't have gone out and had that fun if she didn't know that I was there to kind of be a bit more ballsy about it and be like hello

#### Quenby

Be her spotter.

## **Kitty**

Yeah, absolutely be her spotter, and I'm not a, you know possessive person but it's a protecting thing it's, Hey, I can see that she's looking a little tense I'm going to check in with her and make sure that she's okay and, you know, maybe she is and maybe she needed me to check in and be like hey how you doing, and have her be like, actually, I think I want to pause this and go and get a drink like it's.

#### Quenby

So I think like another dimension of it is also there's something very attractive to being in the in group, to being in the- Oh, we're awesome we're great, and part- and I think that can be really good and there are constructive ways to do it. One of the easiest ways to do that is to talk shit about people who aren't in the in group. And I think that's probably part of, of the puzzle around this.

## **Kitty**

Yeah, when people splinter into their own little fraction, then it can very easily become us versus them, rather than just being hey these are my people, it can very quickly evolve into. I mean, I see a lot of it in sex work in communities where there will be people who you know, for a job, will have sex, and you know whether or not they do it, just because that's how they pay the bills but then they do it because they, you know, like sex and decided to make money from their hobby where they, whether they love their job or hate their job, whatever it's a job, you have people who, that's what they do, and then they'll absolutely turn around and be like, Oh, I can't believe some people have casual sex and it's like, I know it's different because it's work, but like a lot of people would say that what you are doing. And it's not what you're doing but at the same time it's like, oh I, the idea that people do this for free and to be honest, I get a certain amount, my standards for people, I will have sex with in my personal life are considerably higher since I started work eight years ago, because like that I don't want to have average sex for free, because if I'm having sex, which isn't blowing my mind and brilliant and hitting all the kinky buttons I want it

to hit, then I might as well be at work. So, you know, my working life is incredibly vanilla, and that's where any vanilla sex really happens and if I'm having amazing brilliant awesome times in my personal life, that's great. If I'm having, you know, okay, sex, and like I have a distinct financial number in my mind of what this is worth and it almost feels like, you know, I've not been robbed, but it's kind of like you know, always feels like that spent money even though it's not real money- in my brain, I'm like this is worth this much, I did not get this. Like, there comes a point where, yeah I think I really kind of raised, how I feel about myself and my sexual confidence and all of that because there is a value to it, and there is a people not only seem to think I'm attractive, you know, personally, but people are willing to pay me and that is a fantastic boost for the ego. And so to kind of, I understand a certain amount of like you know doing that for free but if you're having good sex, then yeah, I'm gonna do that especially with friends and partners and people I like, there's there's an element of like, I know people have different ways of hanging with their friends, even I also I like board games, I like pizza parties and films, and I like sex, and there are, there are different hobbies that you can enjoy with your friends. And the idea of kind of the looking down, of like, Oh, I can't believe people have sex with friends and partners and they don't get paid and there's like, I guess? The analogy I often use is like a professional chef, right, and someone can enjoy cooking as a hobby, and they can love it so much, or, you know, maybe just the circumstances, maybe they don't love it so much that they might end up working in a restaurant, and there is a real difference in the feeling between cooking in your restaurant for a customer you've never met and don't really care about other than wanting to kind of give good service and get paid for it and some pride in your work, but at the same time. That's a very different thing from hosting a dinner party with your friends and loved ones and wanting to have that personal thing of enjoying cooking for them. And hopefully they then don't go oh I don't want to have a meal cooked by you because you do it professionally because that's what it's like yes I do do this professionally, which means I'm probably quite good at this and this is a lovely treat to have a home cooked party meal with you. But the idea that you know some people might hate their job, some people might love it. Sometimes you might have a good day at work, you'd have a bad day, it doesn't mean that restaurants will be closed. Like, it's a thing, but to then kind of, you know, the parallel there would be if a professional chef then went like, Ugh and then she hosted a dinner party with her friends and it's like ves that's fine. But I have waitressed, and I've always said, I've always felt significantly more degraded and all of the accurate accusations that are thrown at escorting - I felt significantly worse off when I had to report to a certain employer a certain time that you know what have a minimum wage rate that I haven't set myself to go and have various people who still objectified you and, and still, you know, dismissed you and looked down on you for working a 14 hour shift and, you know, all the rest of you had to then do what everyone else wanted to do than I ever have working for myself setting my own hours working from home and deciding what I want to charge for my own time, like, this whole idea that someone says you know oh you've sold your body and I'm like, Have I? It's right here. I sell my time and services, and I'm quite happy about the fact that I get to be in charge, you know, especially around disability stuff there are so many disabled sex workers, and if you

have chronic fatigue, if you've got variable mood if you are only able to work, however many days of the week, in quick succession and then not work for you know six weeks after that because you've burned yourself out, and no one's expecting you at a desk at 9am, and you've planned your own hours, that you know people say, Oh, I hate the idea that work has to be empowering because if you ever ask a retail worker. oh do you feel empowered by this work? it's work, it's not meant it's meant to pay your bills and that's the decision you've made. This is what I want you to do to get this much money you know what I'm willing to do to get this much money.

#### Quenby

I hope that anyone can find a job that they enjoy and they find fulfilling, on some level other than this pays my fucking rent.

#### **Kitty**

And work doesn't have to be empowering but when it actually does come to being in charge of my own finances and my own earning without having to answer to anyone else other than myself, being self employed is much more empowering than other jobs I've had where I've had bosses and supervisors who have their expectations that I have to live up to, for wages, I might not like. I significantly prefer the self employed, anything else you know my, my various artistic creative outputs so I do freelancing on a number of different things. And that worked for me around my disability stuff and around, you know, my mental illness and all the rest so much better than having to try and fit into someone else's regime.

#### Quenby

It's that thing of like all of the criticism you see around sex work it's just like like actually you can apply these to pretty much all work on some level,

#### **Kitty**

We live under capitalism.

#### Quenby

Yeah, the, they talk about the intersection between sex work, migration, and coercion, so you have illegal immigrants, or people who are classified as illegal immigrants, who are coerced into work and that is fucking awful. And some of it is sex work, and some of it is construction work.

## **Kitty**

There is more trafficking in fruit picking and in car washes, than there is in the sex industry and trafficking is awful and absolutely any industry and yes it is an important discussion to have. But there are very rarely if you say, Oh, I work at a car wash or, Oh, I fruit pick that anyone will go, Oh, I think your entire industry is disgusting and should be your, your workers right should be removed. We should make anyone who comes to get their car washed criminalised so you're more likely to die, because I, you know, it's kind of like, yes, if someone is trafficked, the best way to help them is to decriminalise the industry, so that they can seek help without being prosecuted. People can't traffic as easily if everyone has the kind of workers rights and can access resources without being criminalised themselves that makes no sense to me like, oh, well, we'll criminalise your client so the only people willing to see you are criminals, that will be good for you, won't it and trafficking is illegal trafficking is wrong and illegal every industry, it's just a conversation that comes up explicitly in this industry because people want to rescue us. And they think that we all must work but they never actually want to rescue is the thing, if you have a SWERF, who says you shouldn't do that job you say okay, Will you pay my bills and they say no, will you give me another job that will work for me and they're like, Oh no, if I put sex work on my CV, then people won't hire me what actually I do I put it down under under euphemistic, I don't write sex work I write massage, because then they can say, I have run my own business, I do my own spreadsheets and tax management and tax returns for that and you know, client communications, advertising, admin, phone calls, emails, the amount of transferable skills that I have built up over the years. But the moment that they realise that you also sucked a dick. They don't want to hear it. Because it's not seen as respectable employment but you know, it is a job, it is absolutely perfectly. You know I gained a wonderful skill set that I could absolutely transfer. And the thing is sex work is like 80% admin.

#### Quenby

So bringing it back to polyamory for a moment, there is definitely a conflict I think in there are lots of different ways to be polyamorous, you've got hierarchical non hierarchical relationship anarchy. Different rules in place for different relationships. And there can definitely be a sense of,

#### **Kitty**

this is the right way.

#### Quenby

Yeah. Or like the way I do it is the only right way it's like it can't be ethical. If you do polyamory this way as opposed to, this is what works for me and my partners,

## **Kitty**

I mean there's a certain extent, where I think there are some things which are inherently, if not unethical have a lot of dangers to be so things like one penis policies, which tend to be kind of homophobic and transphobic and patriarchal bullshit about like what seen as a threatening relationship and what's seen as acceptable and what's seen as fetishizing and all the rest, or I don't understand how a Don't Ask Don't Tell dynamic, can be as healthy as it should be at the kind of, if you can't come home and your partner says How was your day if you can't say I had a lovely lunch date with my partner because they don't want to hear about it, I'm like, do they actually want to be non monogamous? So I do have a certain amount of those fields of like there are some ways where I'm like, really? But you know, some, some people, it might work, I just I have yet to see that in a healthy way. But when it comes to actual many many other forms of non monogamy I mean I tend to have a bit of a kitchen table thing going on, not everyone wants to hang out with their metamours as long as they kind of, okay, you know, that their partner is happy with them. I'm a bit of a relationship anarchist but like, I mean lockdown seems to be trying to force me into some kind of hierarchy of you can only be with your nesting partner. And it's like, ah that's frustrating. But you know, some people it works really well to be like this is my primaryy and this is my secondary and everyone kind of knows where they stand and that's cool too. A lot of that. And I think you can also get a lot of kind of like, Oh I'm so much more enlightened because I fall in love with more people. And I think there are ways to do healthy monogamy I think a lot of people do monogamy, because that's what they're supposed to do. And I think a lot more people would/should/could be non monogamous, and haven't really come across that part of themselves. But at the same time, I mean I get really annoyed when someone sees someone monogamous cheating and says they should do polyamory and it's like well, their whole problem is they can't communicate with their partners they lied to their partners they, they don't hold their partners with enough respect to kind of do what they said they would do and respect those boundaries, putting them in a relationship with more people isn't going to solve that that's still going to be an issue of an unhealthy relationship, it's just going to affect more people. Sometimes someone's you know someone's fix is to go, Oh, I get it, I can I can love someone and love someone else and that's not a problem but they need to be able to open up about that and communicate about it. But even you still get the kind of general snarkiness of, Oh, it's you know it's all about the love and being free unlike yes it absolutely is. That doesn't mean that anything else is lesser. And, I mean, especially, so anyone who is aromantic, but is like allosexual gets a lot of hate, of like, oh you know you're, you're not. You're not having real relationships you're using people or whatever and it's like, they can communicate and be like hey, I want to be mates I want to be, not platonic, but I want to be pals. I don't feel romantic attraction to you but like if you're down to clown let's go to pound down like ... that just came out of my mouth. \*laughter\* Yeah, I think there's a lot of just kind of everyone's approaching it with their own different things as well and you get different things from different relationships with different people and some people might say, I am attracted to other people, when I'm in a relationship but I don't want to act on it, and that's fine, as long as they're happy. But then I'm one of the kind of weird poly people who,

because some people say it's you know a choice for the way they do their relationships and some people feel like it's kind of an innate part of like that orientation almost and I am one of the people who monogamy never made sense to me. I grew up thinking everyone was kind of pretending because that's what they were supposed to do a bit like I kind of thought everyone was bisexual and pretending they're really into one gender and then kind of went, oh, people really

## Quenby

Look I did not come here to be personally. attacked

## **Kitty**

So people who, you know, I've never understood possessive jealousy, I understand, envy, I understand that someone's like, oh I wish I was that talented that pretty that rich whatever I absolutely got get kind of being like, Oh, I wish I had that I wish I was like that. I don't understand when someone's like, someone else made my partner happy, grrr. Someone I like had fun, and I wasn't the sole source of their joy, like that's not something that's ever made sense to me, and it's a really kind of arsey poly thing to be like, it's just compersion, I just feel happy for my partner's happiness but that is genuinely my experience. I can get frustrated if they're dicking me around if they cancelling on our plans to see other people or whatever I could be like hey I'm cool with you having people I'm not cool with you cancelling our anniversary plans like what the hell is happening here. But when it comes to kind of, I've never really understood and you see it in so many kind of rom com things the whole idea of like, he was texting someone and he was smiling at them or it's like, cool, they're happy, they're happy. As long as they're having a good time and they're not like dating a Nazi, I'm not gonna give a shit. It, it's just kind of one of those things where I think the polyamorous scene, which has its own various fractures can frequently be like, Oh, we're so much more enlightened than the monogamous people and all of that and or even you know we're so much more enlightened than people who, who will have, you know, casual sex and be swingers or whatever when we're, we're all about the love and all the rest like, yes, yes, that's cool. Sex is also fine, and you don't have to love someone to have sex with them you don't have to have sex with someone if you love them, and they all can impact in different ways and you can have friends and you can have partners and you can have sex friends and you can have sex partners, they don't have to be the same people, and the person who you spend long weekends away, watching musical theatre and playing board games doesn't have to be the same person who you, you know, live with and who feeds your cat, like, they can get different things from different people and that's okay you can do all the things that you like. You don't have to stick to one little clique, you can be like Hey, I ama slut, and I'm a whore, and I'm all of these different things, and I'm a pervert and a deviant and it kinkster. But I'm also a lover and not a fighter and all the things, and that's kind of where I'm at. Don't have to pick a side I'm fine.

### Quenby

Yeah I do. I do have a joke, which is look i'm a non binary polyamorous switchy slut. Do not ask me to choose between things I'm not good at it

#### **Kitty**

To be honest, if they're like "what do you want to eat?", like making me choose is a hate crime like- like would you rather this thing, And I'm like any? all? both? Yes.

#### Quenby

Thank you so much for joining us, Kitty. This has been really interesting. Before you go, I'm going to ask the question I ask every guest. If you were stuck on a desert island with an electricity generator for any toys. Plenty of lube and condoms. Something to keep the sand out of the lube and condoms, what sex toy would you want to be stuck there with, and why?

## **Kitty**

Because I've got the electrical generator, it has to be a Doxy magic wand. They are magical, hence the magic wand and the various partners especially, like if you are a person who has a clitoris but you know you don't have to have one. Even if people have struggled to orgasm they've been on antidepressants whatever in the past, it can be less than 10 seconds before you can get someone somewhere. They have a lot of fun and often the half the time, I'm lazy and just want a dopamine boost, and, you know, I don't necessarily even need a long involved wank, I'm just like, You know what I'd like an orgasm, and then like 30 seconds later I'm like, Oh, that was good time for a nap. So yeah Doxy magic wand like results every time.

### Quenby

You are the third in a row, to say the Doxy. How am I not being sponsored by Doxy for this podcast?!! It's good answer, it's always a good answer, it's become a repetitive answer but it's still a good answer. Thank you so much. It's been really fucking interesting chatting with you. Where can people find you?

## **Kitty**

Don't, I will be a mystery.

# Quenby

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