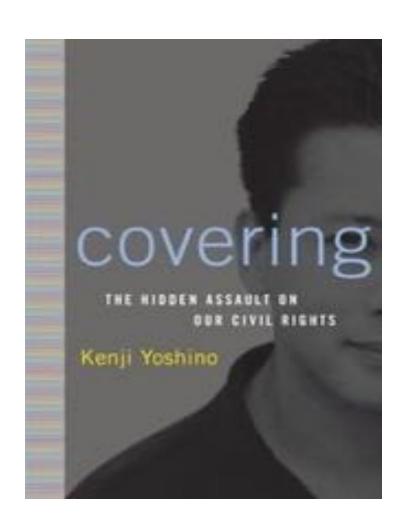


"The act of giving birth to oneself is miraculous and terrifying, but unlikely to be calm."

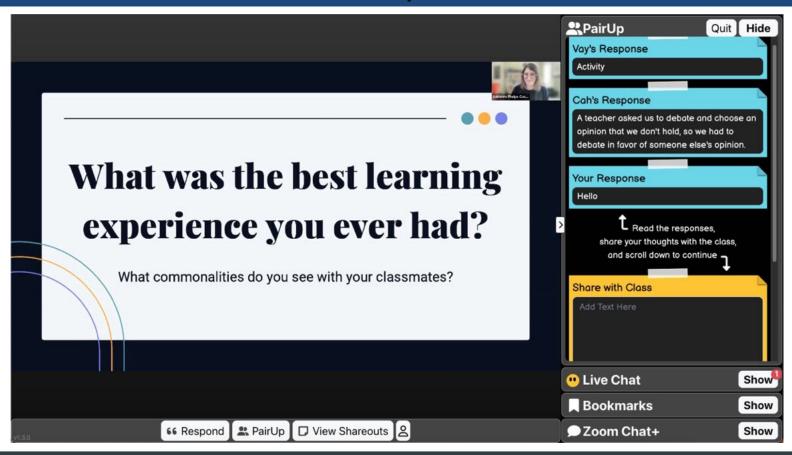
### **Annotations**



"Our diversity is our force"

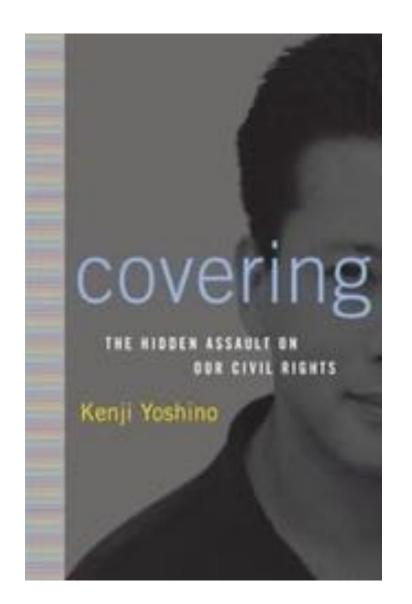
Yoana Land

#### The Pair Up tool



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Foreclosure	Made identity commitments without an identity crisis

Source: Adapted from Marcia, 1996

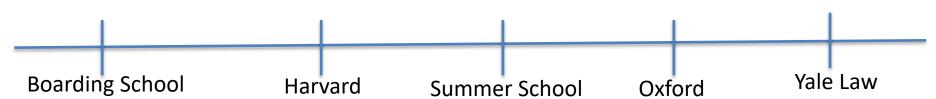


Why do we need to know these theories? There are many applications to it in a real-world: coaching, guiding, psychological, education.

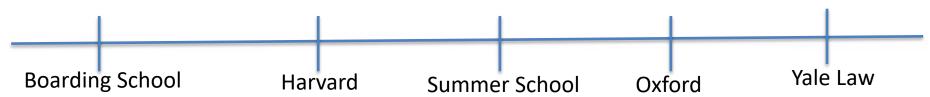
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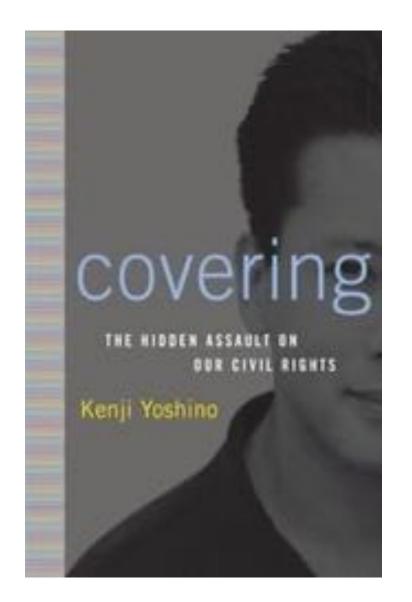
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How might we think about Kenji Yoshino's journey through this lens?



Although Kenji has moved on to new battles, he is now prepared, and I feel similar. His convergence between his sexual identity, his way with words, his education, and his profession has made him the advocate his younger self needed. I believe we all need to remember that wherever we are in life, our younger selves are cheering us on. If we can accept who we were and introduce that person to who we are now, we can pave the way for our future selves.

Alexandra Alvarez

#### How do we think about identity crisis?

'Identity' and 'identity crisis' have in popular and scientific usage become terms which alternatively circumscribe something so large and so seemingly self-evident that to demand a definition would almost seem petty, while at other times they designate something made so narrow for purposes of measurement that the overall meaning is lost, and it could just as well be called something else.

Erikson, 1968, pp.23-24

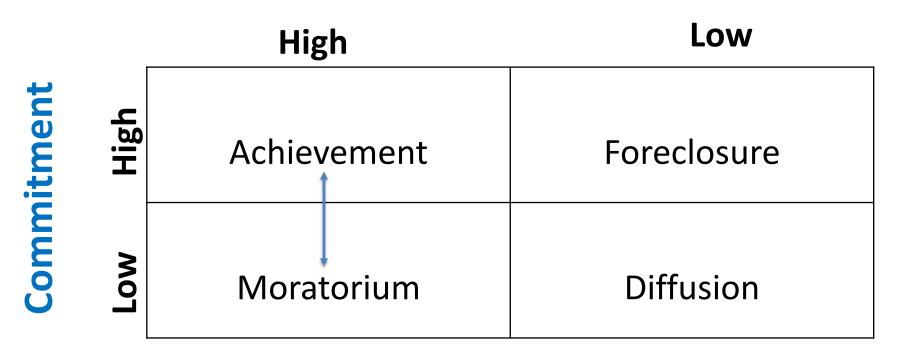
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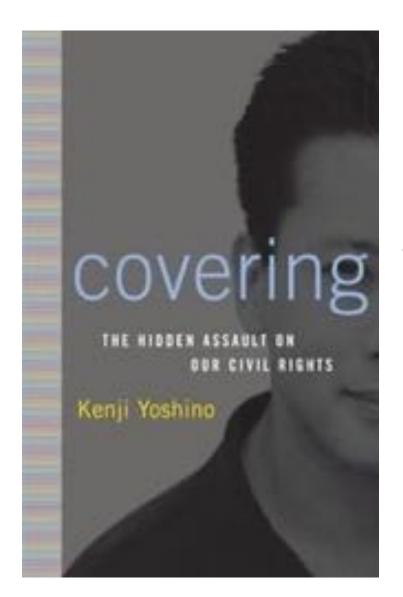
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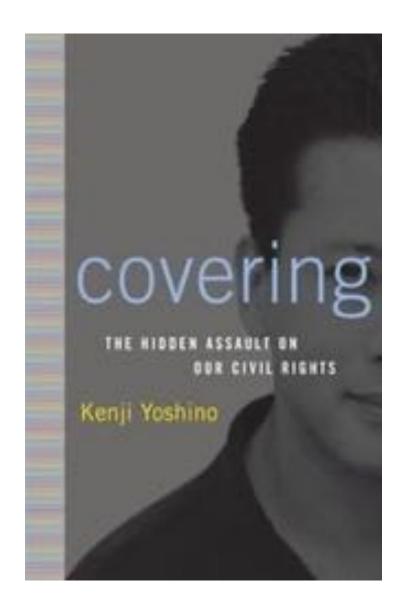


MAMA = Moratorium  $\rightarrow$  Achievement  $\rightarrow$  Moratorium  $\rightarrow$  Achievement

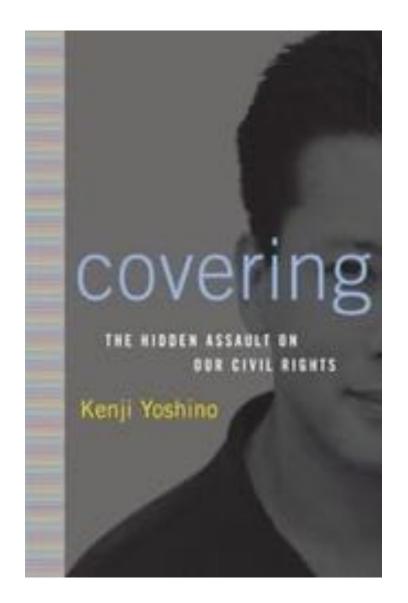


"I think the turning point to this crisis for me was understanding that ME was a combination of "boxes", that I was not only fit for one box, I was fit for many and that's what made me, ME."

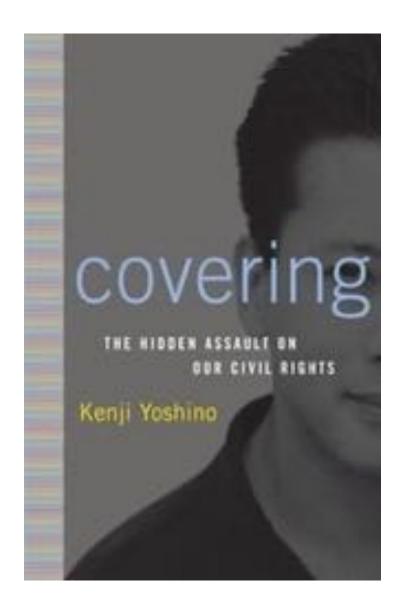
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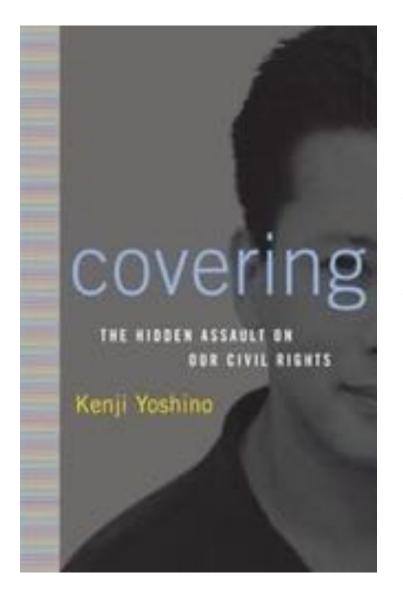
1. How do we perceive *identity crisis?* What if we think about it as a *process* of active exploration (MAMA)?



2. How does the dynamic interplay of our multiple and changing identities impact self-development?



3. Role of social context in self-development?



"Yoshino's insight helped me realize that my experience was not just an individual struggle but part of a broader social phenomenon where identities, particularly those of "civil rights group", were under scrutiny and pressure to conform to a certain social narrative. My journey through this challenging time was a lived example of the theories we studied. It highlighted the fluidity of identity and the continuous, context-sensitive process of self-development, shaped significantly by societal events and perceptions."

Hani Alawneh