

Women's History Month Worksheets

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Women's History Month Word Finder

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Who Am I?

Identify the women in the pictures below as well as their contributions to women's rights.

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Women's History Month **Facts**



Women's History Month is an annual celebration in Australia, United States, Canada, and the United Kingdom that highlights the contributions of women in society. It's celebrated during March in Australia, the US, and the UK, and in October in Canada.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

- ★ Women's History Month is in line with International Women's Day on 8 March. In Canada, it's celebrated during October, running in conjunction with the celebration of Person's Day on 18 October.
- ★ The legacy of Women's History Month can be traced back to the first International Women's Day held in 1911.
- ★ The Education Task Force of the Sonoma County Commission on the Status of Women, located in California, initiated a "Women's History Week" celebration in 1978. Parades, essay contests, and other school activities were conducted in line with the celebration.
- ★ Women's History Week was designed around the week of International Women's Day, which is 8 March.



Women's History Month Facts

- ★ In 1979, The Women's History Institute at Sarah Lawrence College, chaired by noted historian Gerda Lerner, conducted a fifteen-day conference from 13-29 July. When the attendees learned about the successful Women's History Week of Sonoma County, they agreed to initiate similar celebrations.



- ★ By February 1980, U.S. President Jimmy Carter issued a presidential proclamation declaring the week of 8 March, 1980, as National Women's History Week.

- ★ Within a few years, numerous schools and communities across the country were celebrating Women's History Week as supported by the local government units.
- ★ Every year, the date for Women's History Week changed. The National Women's History Project was responsible for spearheading the annual lobbying effort.

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION

- ★ By 1986, 14 states in the US had declared March as Women's History Month. This action was used as the rationale for Congress to declare the entire month of March 1987 as National Women's History Month.
- ★ In Canada, Women's History Month was proclaimed in 1992. Its purpose is to give Canadians an opportunity to learn more about the contributions of women to society.
- ★ In Australia, Women's History Month was first celebrated in 2000 as initiated by Helen Leonard, head of the National Women's Media Centre, working with the Women's Electoral Lobby.



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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT WOMEN AND WOMEN'S RIGHTS

- ★ On 8 February, 1909, the first Women's Day took place in New York City. The Socialist Party organized the observance to commemorate the march of thousands of women who fought for economic rights.



- ★ During the mid-19th century, women in many countries started to organize movements to fight for their rights to vote and run for office.
- ★ They became known as suffragists or suffragettes.
- ★ In 1904, the International Women's Suffrage Alliance was formed by Millicent Fawcett and Carrie Chapman Catt, along with other leading women's rights activists.
- ★ In September 1893, the British colony of New Zealand was the first to pass national-level voting rights for women through the Electoral Bill. A year later, Australia also granted full rights to women to vote and represent parliament, except for aboriginal women of Australia.
- ★ In November 1918, British Parliament passed the Eligibility of Women Act allowing women to be elected in Parliament.
- ★ By 1920, countries including Denmark, USSR, Canada, Sweden, Iceland, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Germany, Luxembourg, Poland, the Netherlands, Austria, and the United States granted women the right to vote.



Illustration of the Seneca Falls Convention in 1848

- ★ In the United States, the suffrage movement was led by Lucretia Mott and Elizabeth Cady Stanton who organized the first women's rights convention, known as the Seneca Falls Convention in 1848.



Women's History Month Facts

- ★ Frederick Douglass, a former slave and abolitionist attended the convention. Susan B. Anthony also met the two at the World Anti-Slavery Convention held in England in 1850.
- ★ Today, at least 17% of U.S. Congressional and Senate seats are occupied by women.
- ★ In the field of sports, women were only allowed to join the Winter Olympic Games in 1924 for the figure skating event. By 1966, Roberta Gibb became the first woman to finish the Boston Marathon.
- ★ American novelist Edith Wharton became the first woman recipient of the Pulitzer Prize for fiction in 1921. In years before, accomplished authors including Jane Austen, the Brontë sisters, Mary Ann Evans and Louisa May Alcott all used male pen names to avoid discrimination.
- ★ Hatshepsut of ancient Egypt's 18th dynasty was the only female pharaoh recorded in history.
- ★ The public philosopher and suffragist Jane Addams was the first woman laureate of the Nobel Peace Prize.



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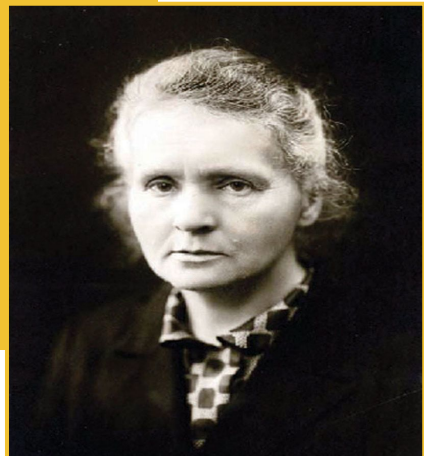


Identify the women in the pictures below as well as their contributions to women's rights.









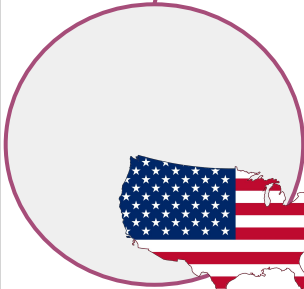
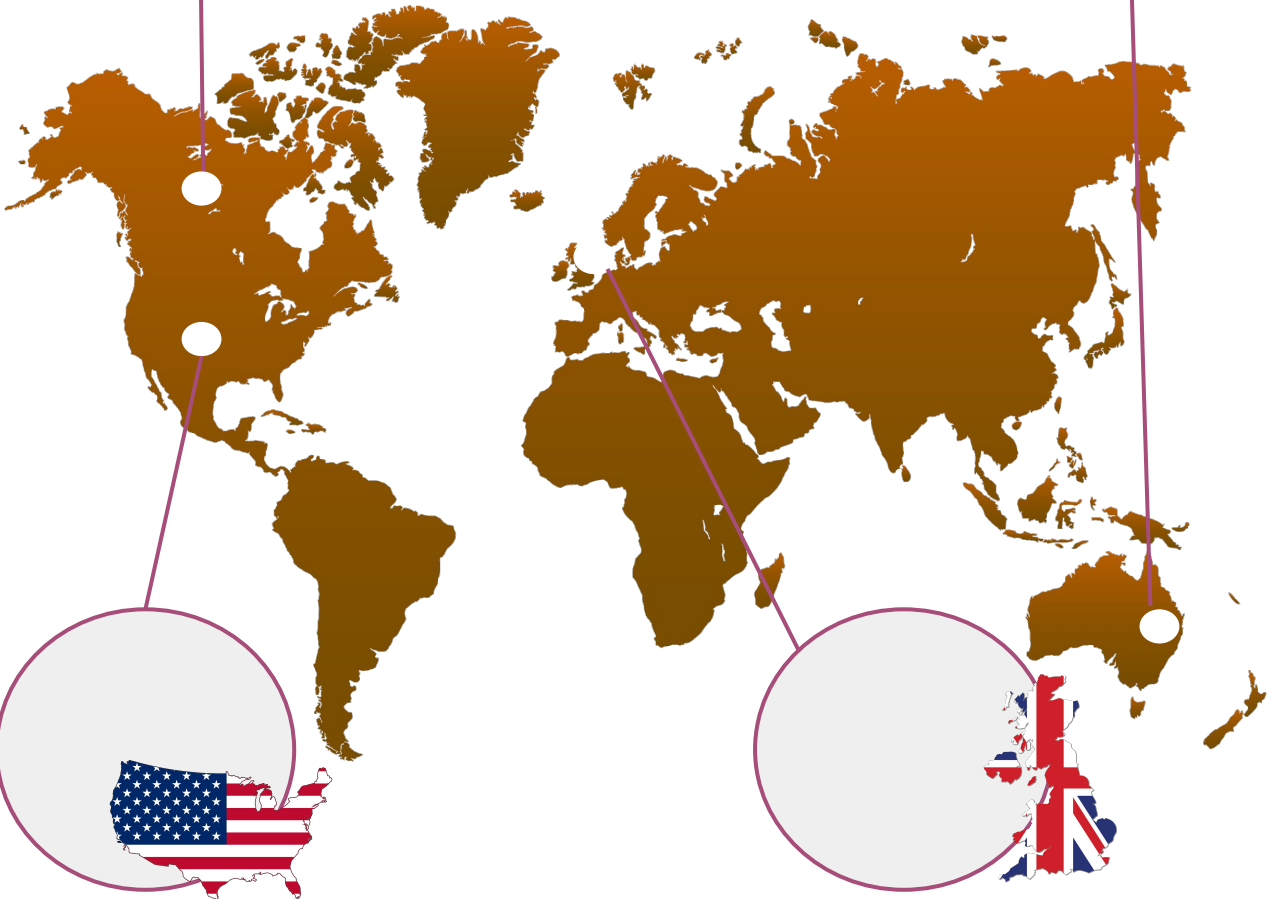
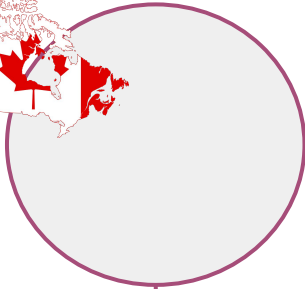


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All Over the World



Women's History Month is annually celebrated in Australia, Canada, the United States, and the United Kingdom. Using pictures, tell us how it is celebrated in each country.



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Picture Analysis

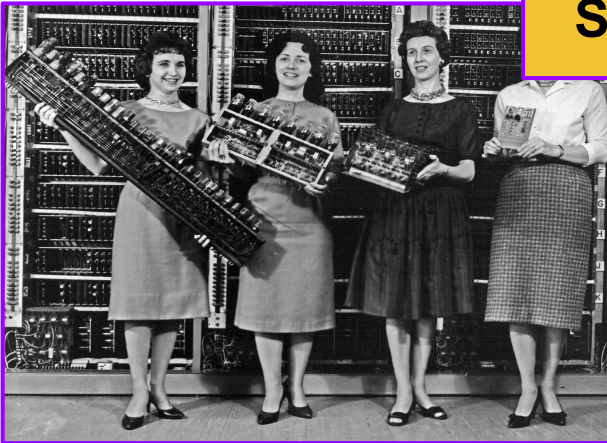


Compare and contrast SET A and SET B Pictures.

Set A



Set B






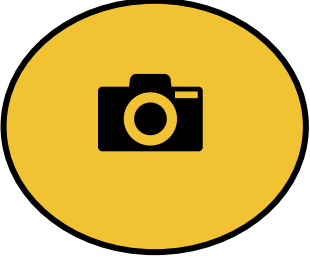

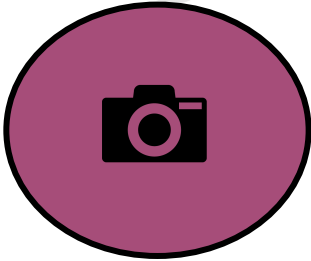





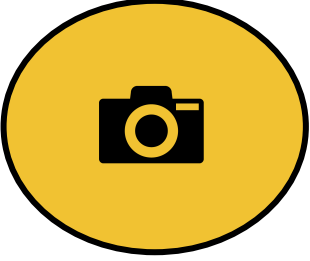


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Girl Power!



Research three women who were/are prominent in the field of politics. Briefly describe each person and explain why they are considered game changers.

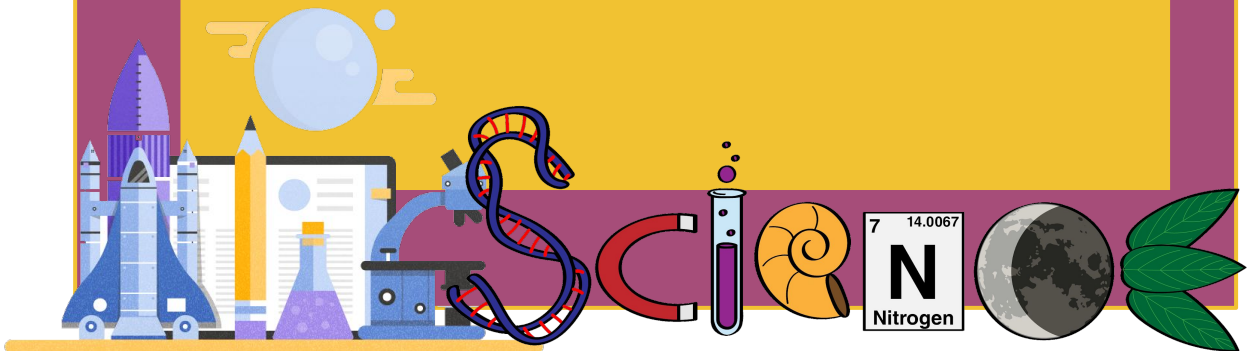
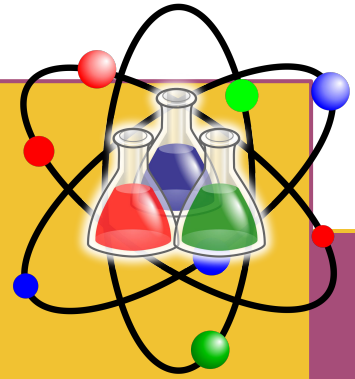


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Women in Science



Create a photo collage of prominent women in the field of science. Explain your choices.



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Poster Making



Create a poster using the theme for 2018 *“Nevertheless She Persisted: Honoring Women Who Fight All Forms of Discrimination Against Women.”*



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We'll Sing For You



Compose a song that promotes and highlights the significance of women in society in various fields: Science, culture, politics and civil service. Make sure to share your efforts!





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My Woman Idol



Who is your woman idol and why? Complete the statements below.

She is my woman idol
because...



She inspires me to ...



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Five Events of Amazing Women



Tell us how women were instrumental in the below events that changed history. Who are the women that are depicted below?

Event #1 **Underground Railroad**

Event #2 **Montgomery Bus Boycott**

Event #3 **2016 U.S. Presidential Election**

Event #4 **1775 Cherokee Battle Against the Creeks**

Event #5 **Ain't I a Woman? Speech**



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Women's Rights



In 1848, the first women's rights convention was held in Seneca Falls, New York. As a result, the Declaration of Sentiments was signed by 68 women and 32 men. Complete the key events of the women's rights movement in the U.S.

January 2016

February 1980

1919

1903

December 1869



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Women To Know



Some women game changers in history are pictured below. Can you list at least three words that best describe their contributions?

HATSHEPSUT

- _____
- _____
- _____

JOAN OF ARC

- _____
- _____
- _____

QUEEN ELIZABETH I

- _____
- _____
- _____

CATHERINE THE GREAT

- _____
- _____
- _____

JANE AUSTEN



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Lady Presidents



In 1960, Sirimavo Bandaranaike of Sri Lanka became the first woman elected as the highest ruler of a country. Given the flags, can you name a few?



"I think the presence of a woman at the head of state in today's context is fundamental."

-Catherine Samba-Panza



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Suffragettes



In 1919, Lady Nancy Astor became the first woman to take her seat in parliament. Fill in the missing terms to complete the facts.



Not all suffragists or suffragettes are women. In 1913, George Lansbury MP was arrested for supporting a suffrage rally.

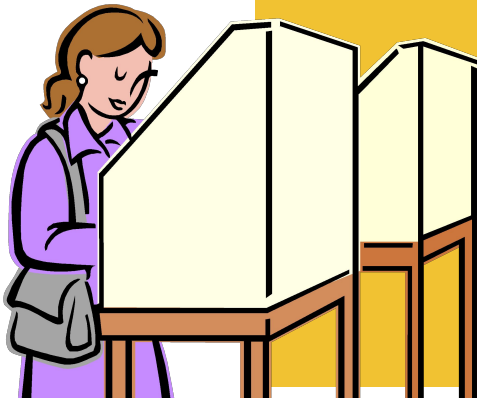
The Suffragist Movement, also known as the National Union of Women's Suffrage, was founded by _____.

After WWI, women over _____ years old were granted the right to vote.

When suffragettes were imprisoned, they went on _____ as a sign of protest.

In 1928, the _____ granted women the same rights as men to vote.

British women seeking the right to vote called themselves _____, while American women preferred to be called _____.



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Famous Firsts



Since the inclusion and expansion of women's rights around world, there have been many memorable firsts for them. Complete the crossword using the contributions of some of the most iconic women in history.

1.

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6.

7.

1. Amelia Earhart
2. Regina Jonas
3. Valentina Tereshkova
4. Charlotte Cooper
5. Mary Kies
6. Junko Tabei
7. Raymonde de Laroche



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Iconic Speeches



When women started to speak up, their words were not only heard, they were seen by the rest of the world. Some of the most remarkable speeches are given below, tell us who said it and when. Do additional research for this activity.

A

"If the first woman God ever made was strong enough to turn the world upside down all alone, these women all together ought to be able to turn it back, and get it right side up again!"

Name of Speaker: _____
Title of Speech: _____
Background: _____

B

*"Here on the pulse of this new day
You may have the grace to look up and out
And into your sister's eyes, into your brother's face, your country . . ."*

Name of Speaker: _____
Title of Speech: _____
Background: _____

C

"We teach girls shame. Close your legs, cover yourself, we make them feel as though by being born female they're already guilty of something."

Name of Speaker: _____
Title of Speech: _____
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Golden Globe: Golden Voice



Oprah Winfrey, a woman, host, actress, and philanthropist was given the 2018 Golden Globe Cecil B. DeMille Award. Watch her speech online using the link below and answer the guide questions.

1. Who is Oprah Winfrey?

2. What is the importance of speaking the truth?

3. Who are the famous women mentioned in her speech?

4. What are the lines that struck you the most? Why?

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fN5HV79_8B8



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Herstory in History



Complete the acrostic by using word/phrases/events that describe the role and significance of women in history.

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"I can't think of any better representation of beauty than someone who is unafraid to be herself." - Emma Stone



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Time for Woman



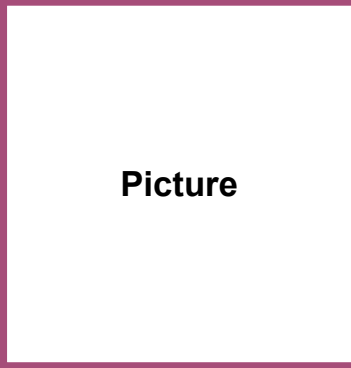
Out of all the iconic women in history, choose one and make her your cover story for March. In addition, identify her qualities that all women in the world should possess.

TIME

Background

Qualities

Picture



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