

History Assessment: The Suffragettes

Learning objective: To understand the struggle for women's right to vote in the UK.

Read each question carefully. Use the word bank if you need help. Write your answers in the boxes provided.

In the past, women in the UK were not allowed to vote in elections. This meant they could not help choose who made the laws. A group of women called the Suffragettes worked hard to change this. Their leader was Emmeline Pankhurst. They held marches and protests to show that women deserved the same rights as men. It took a long time, but eventually, the law was changed.

Word bank: Suffragette · Vote · Right · Emmeline Pankhurst · Equality · Parliament · Protest

1. What was the name given to the women who fought for the right to vote? (2 marks)

2. Who was the leader of the Suffragettes? (Sentence starter: The leader was...) (2 marks)

3. Why did the Suffragettes hold protests? (Sentence starter: They protested because they wanted...) (4 marks)

4. Before the law changed, were women allowed to vote in the UK? Tick Yes or No. (2 marks)

5. Imagine you are a Suffragette. Write 3 sentences about why it is important for everyone to have a say in how the country is run. (Sentence starters: I believe... It is fair that... Everyone should...) (15 marks)

Draw: Draw a picture of a Suffragette holding a banner that says 'Votes for Women'.



Extension challenge: Total: /25