Ellie’s History Challenge: The Suffragette Movement

Learning objective: To understand the history of the women's suffrage movement in the UK, identifying key figures and the journey toward equal voting rights.

Join Ellie the Elephant on a journey back in time! Read the clues and use your knowledge of British history to complete this 10-question challenge. Write your answers clearly.

Answer Key: 1. B (Emmeline Pankhurst) 2. True 3. Suffragette 4. C (1918) 5. False 6. 1928 7. A (Peaceful protest) 8. True 9. Suffragist 10. Equality. Every correct answer is worth 1 mark.

Word bank: Suffragette · Emmeline Pankhurst · Parliament · Votes · Campaign · Equality · Representation · Protest

1. Who founded the Women's Social and Political Union (WSPU) in 1903? A) Queen Victoria B) Emmeline Pankhurst* C) Florence Nightingale D) Rosa Parks (1 mark)

2. True or False: Suffragettes often used banners, badges, and marches to draw attention to their cause. (1 mark)

3. What is the specific term for a member of the militant women's rights movement who campaigned for the right to vote? (1 mark)

4. In which year were some women over the age of 30 first given the right to vote in the UK? A) 1900 B) 1914 C) 1918* D) 1945 (1 mark)

5. True or False: All women in the UK were allowed to vote on the same terms as men immediately in 1918. (1 mark)

6. In what year did all women in the UK finally achieve the right to vote at age 21, the same as men? (1 mark)

7. What colours were famously used by the WSPU to represent their movement? A) Purple, white, and green* B) Red, white, and blue C) Gold and black D) Pink and yellow (1 mark)

8. True or False: The Suffragettes believed that actions spoke louder than words when it came to changing the law. (1 mark)

9. What was the name of the group that campaigned for the vote using peaceful methods, rather than militant ones? (1 mark)

10. What is the main concept that the Suffragettes were fighting to achieve? (Hint: It means everyone is treated fairly and has the same rights.) (1 mark)

Draw: Draw a banner that a Suffragette might have carried during a march. Include a powerful slogan about fairness and use the colours purple, white, and green.

Extension challenge: Imagine you are living in 1910. Write a short diary entry (50-80 words) from the perspective of someone attending a peaceful rally, describing how you feel about the fight for the vote.