

Somerset Youth & Community Service

Women's Rights & Equality Quiz



(Information correct when quiz was created in May 2016)

1. Who is Harriet Harman?

Labour MP

2. What does Jessie J campaign against?

School bullying (and doesn't drink or take drugs & is a role model for teens grappling with their sexuality)

3. Which Country has just allowed women to vote?

Saudi Arabia

4. What was the subject of Emma Watson's speech - which she received death threats for?

Feminism & equality- HeforShe

5. Women gained the right to vote in America in 1920. When did women in the UK have the right?

1928 - Lloyd George's government finally gave in in 1918 and allowed women aged over 30 to vote. But it took another decade to put male and female voters on an equal footing

6. 70% of the world's poorest people are women – how many of them can't read or write?

Two-thirds

7. Two million girls are introduced into the commercial sex market each year. Between what ages are these girls?

5 yrs - 15 yrs

8. Who was Rosa Parkes?

African-American Civil Rights Activist Parks refused to obey bus drivers order to give up her seat in the 'coloured section' to a white passenger because the 'white's section was filled.

9. In 1770, a bill was proposed to Parliament about women using makeup. The use of makeup was frowned upon. What did the proposal accuse women of?

Witchcraft –they were accused of luring men in with scents, makeup, wigs or other cosmetics & were thought to be performing the devils' work by inciting lustfulness.

10. Which of the following inventions were created by women?

- industrial lathes
- bras
- non-reflective glass
- the dishwasher
- disposable nappies
- a radio-controlled torpedo device which used “frequency hopping” to prevent the signals from the torpedoes from being jammed
- most of the interface elements for Apple Macintosh?

All of them!

11. 11. When was the Sex Discrimination Act brought in?

1975

12. When the contraceptive pill was launched?

In 1961

13. What country has recently made FGM (female genital mutilation) illegal?

Nigeria

14. In which country do women earn the same as men?

None

15. Before 1870 everything a woman owned or earned became her husband's property when she married. True or False?

True - it allowed women to be the legal owners of money they earned, and to inherit property.

16. What was Margaret Thatcher's (1st and only female prime minister) nickname?

Iron Lady

17. Which one of Henry VIII's wives was beheaded in 1536 for adultery?

Ann Bolyn

18. In what year were women allowed to spend their money in English pubs without being refused service?

1982

19. In 1907 – a Powhatan princess saved the life of Captain John Smith. What was she called?

Pocahontas

20. Frida Kahlo was a Mexican painter best known for her self-portraits. What was unusual about her facial features?

She did not pluck / shave her Unibrow or moustache

21. What religion was Mother Teresa?

Catholic

22. Kelly Holmes - The retired double Olympic gold-winning athlete Kelly Holmes has spoken about her battle with mental health issues & depression. What did she do to cope with her feelings?

Self harm

23. When was first sanctioned bout between women boxers in the UK?

1998

24. Which country won the women's football world cup in 2015?

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