

Emmeline Pankhurst

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Family

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Rights for Women

Women were not allowed to do the same things as men. Lots of people thought that this was not fair.



Emmeline began a group called the WSPU.

They wanted women to be allowed to do the same things as men.

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Women could vote in 1928 because of the WSPU.

They marched in the streets to get more help.



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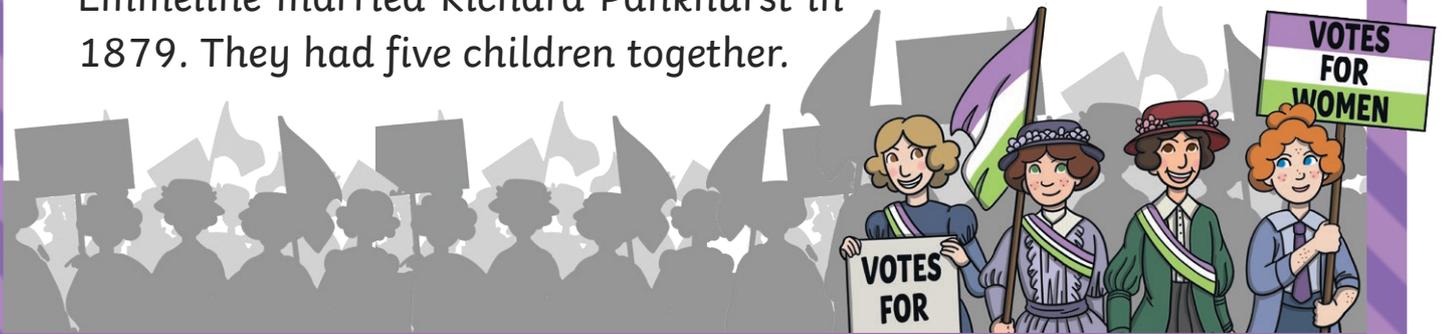
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Family

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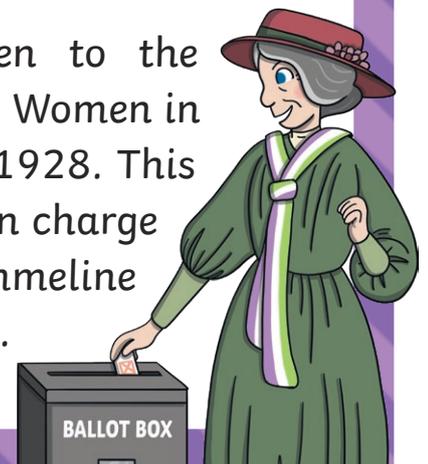
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The women held meetings and marched on the streets. Some people disagreed with what Emmeline said and she was often talked to by the police.



More and more people started to listen to the suffragettes. The rules started to change. Women in the UK were given the right to vote in 1928. This means that you help to choose who is in charge of the country. A statue was made of Emmeline to remember the work that she had done.



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- helping children to go to school
- helping women to get the right to vote
- helping men to get the right to vote

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1879

Emmeline started the WSPU.

1903

Women were given the right to vote.

1928

Emmeline got married to Richard Pankhurst.

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5. Fill in the missing word.

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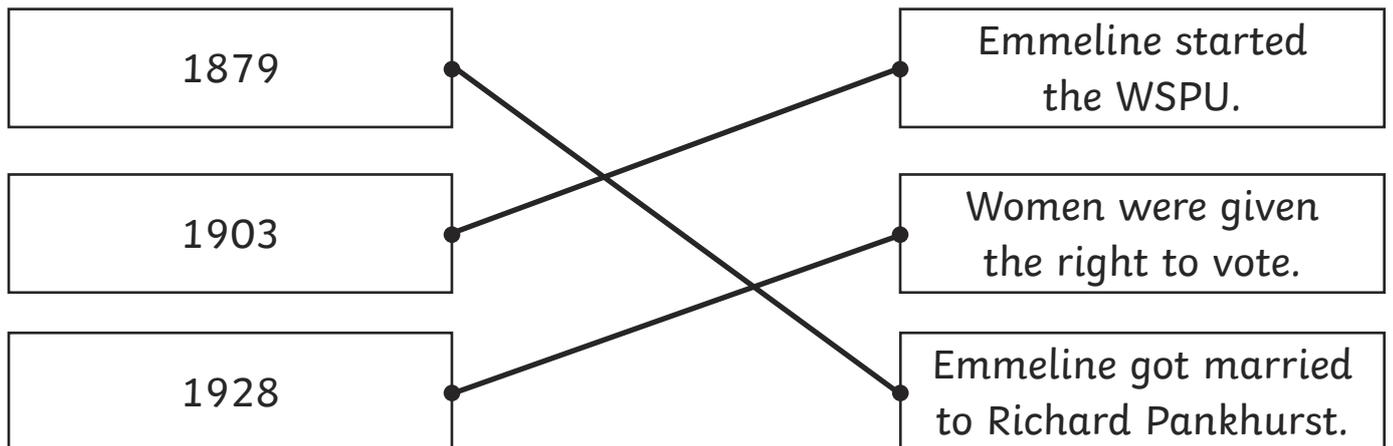
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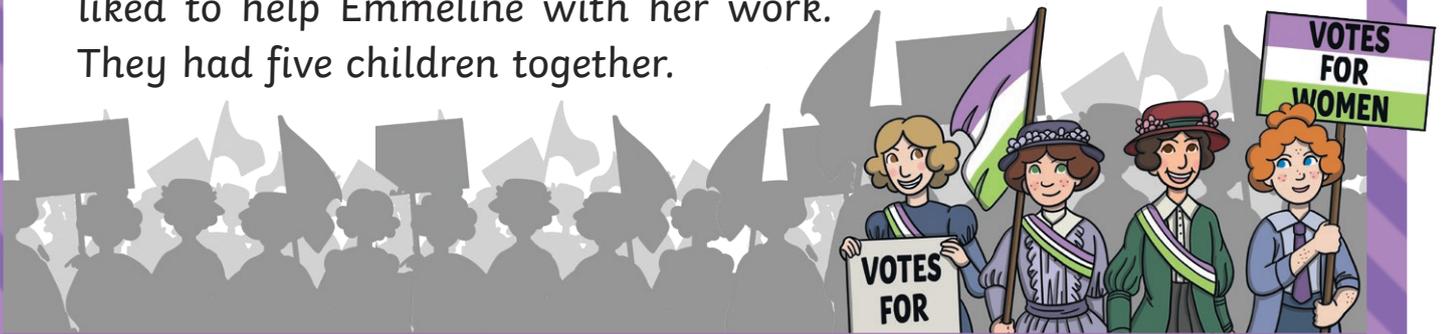


Emmeline was born on 14th July 1858 in Moss Side, Manchester. As she grew up, Emmeline found out that women were not always treated fairly. They were not always allowed to do the same things as men. Emmeline worked hard to try to make life fairer for women. She is famous for helping women to get the right to vote.

Emmeline's Family

Emmeline grew up in a wealthy home with nine brothers and sisters. Her parents tried to help make the world a better place for their children. Emmeline's mum took her to a meeting about women's rights when she was 14. Emmeline married Richard Pankhurst in 1879 at the age of 21. He worked with the law and liked to help Emmeline with her work.

They had five children together.



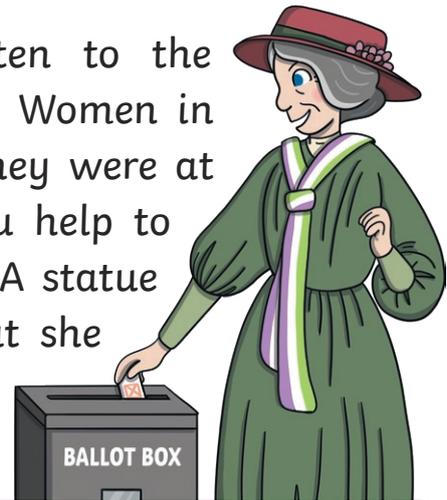
Rights for Women

Emmeline and her daughters founded a women's group in 1903. It was known as the Women's Social and Political Union or WSPU. This group fought for the rights of women and they were known as suffragettes.

Emmeline gave many speeches and held meetings to tell women to support the suffragettes. The women held protests and marched on the streets. Some people disagreed with what Emmeline said and she was often talked to by the police.



More and more people started to listen to the suffragettes and laws started to change. Women in the UK were given the right to vote if they were at least 21 years old. This means that you help to choose who is in charge of the country. A statue was built of Emmeline to remember that she helped women to get the right to vote.



Did You Know...?

Emmeline told members of the WSPU group to stop protesting when the war started. They helped with the war efforts and worked in factories instead. The suffragettes helped by taking some of the jobs that had been left empty when the men went to fight in the war.



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- for helping women to get jobs

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Pupils' own responses, such as: Emmeline the Suffragette; Who was Emmeline?; Mrs Pankhurst.

6. Why do you think that women had to be 21 years old to vote?

Pupils' own responses, such as: I think that women had to be 21 years old to vote because then you are an adult. Adults would be better than children at choosing who runs the country.