



Re-Writing Herstory

Trivia Game

Module 6

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1

Who was the first female president of the
United States?

- a. Hilary Clinton
- b. Sarah Palin
- c. Kim Campbell
- d. Ingrid Roosevelt



ANSWER: NONE!

PSYCHE. The answer is none of the above. There has never been a female president in the USA. Ever. Hilary Clinton was the American Secretary of State from 2009-2013, and is running again for President in 2016. Sarah Palin was the Governor of Alaska from 2006-2009, and Kim Campbell was the first Prime Minister of Canada from June-October of 1993 (but not actually elected by Canadians). Ingrid Roosevelt is not a real person (that we know of).



2

Which of the following countries has the highest representation of women in politics?

- a. Rwanda
- b. Iceland
- c. USA
- d. Germany



ANSWER: A) RWANDA

As of 2013, the Rwandan parliament is 63.8% women

On the other hand, Iceland sits at 39.7%, the USA is 17.8% (isn't that embarrassing?), and Germany is 36.5%.

If you're curious, Canada isn't doing too well either: 24.7%.

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3

How many women of colour have won an Oscar for “Best Actress” at the Academy Awards?

- a. 0
- b. 1
- c. 5
- d. 13



ANSWER: B) 1

Halle Berry is the only woman of colour to win this award, and it was for her 2002 role in *Monster's Ball*!

4

Match these female authors to their pen names:

(A pen name is a fake name)

Louisa May Alcott (Little Women)

Charlotte Bronte (Jane Eyre)

Emily Bronte (Wuthering Heights)

Joanne Rowling (Harry Potter)

Joanne Rowling (The Cuckoo's Calling)

J.K. Rowling

Ellis Bell

A.M. Barnard

Robert Galbraith

Currer Bell



ANSWER

Louisa May Alcott (Little Women) -- A. M. Barnard

Charlotte Bronte (Jane Eyre) -- Currer Bell

Emily Bronte (Wuthering Heights) -- Ellis Bell

Joanne Rowling (Harry Potter) -- J.K. Rowling

Joanne Rowling (The Cuckoo's Calling) -- Robert Galbraith

Female authors have used pen names to help make sure that their work would be taken seriously by a publisher or by the public, especially in times when it was less acceptable for women to be authors.



5

What was the first Canadian province to grant women to vote, and in what year?

- a. Manitoba
- b. Saskatchewan
- c. Alberta
- d. All of the above.

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ANSWER: D) ALL!

White women in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta were all granted the right to vote in 1916, followed by B.C. in 1917, N.S. and federally in 1918, N.B. in 1919, P.E.I. in 1922, and 1939 in Quebec. In 1947, all people in Canada were granted the right to vote except for Japanese and Aboriginal peoples. Slowly, between 1949 and 1960, more and more minority groups gained the right to vote. In the US, Wyoming granted women's suffrage in 1869. American women didn't get the vote on a national scale until 1920, and even then not all women had the vote.



6

True or false: The highest IQ ever
recorded belongs to a woman.



ANSWER: TRUE!

Actually, the TWO highest IQs ever recorded are BOTH women!

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7

True or false? Women and girls were
always allowed to participate in the
Olympics.

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ANSWER: FALSE

Women and girls were not even allowed to WATCH the first Olympics, but the Games of Hera ran every four years and featured footraces for women.



8

True or false? In Britain in the 18th century, it was a crime for women to wear make-up.



ANSWER: FALSE!

Though wearing makeup was not officially a crime, it was frowned upon because it was thought to have mystical and seductive powers over men. There was in fact a proposed law in 1770 that women wearing makeup, perfume, or wigs should be punished for witchcraft. At this time, the Queen called wearing makeup ‘impolite.’



9

True or false? The discoverers of the
DNA helix, Watson and Crick, actually
stole the discovery from a female
colleague.



ANSWER: TRUE!

Rosalind Franklin, also referred to as the ‘Dark Lady of DNA,’ was a biophysicist who captured the first photograph of DNA using a technique she created called x-ray diffraction. However, a male colleague of hers showed the photo to Watson and Crick without her permission, and they got the credit and won a Nobel Prize. It took them 40 years to admit that they were not the original discoverers of DNA. Rosalind Franklin died from cancer in 1958.

10

Who started the Idle No More movement, and where were they from?





ANSWER

Five indigenous women from Saskatchewan: Jessica Gordon, Sylvia McAdam, Sheelah McLean, Nina Wilson, Erica Lee.



SPEED ROUND!

Race to name who is who!





TINA FEY AND AMY POEHLER (comedians, actresses)





QUEEN ELIZABETH (Queen of England)





ELLEN JOHNSON-SIRLEAF (President of Liberia)





AUDRE LORDE (Civil Rights Activist)





JENNIFER JONES (Curling Olympic Gold Medalist)





ROSA PARKS (Civil Rights Activist)





AMELIA EARHART (Pilot)





LAVERNE COX (Actor, Transgender Advocate)





THERESA SPENCE (Chief, Indigenous Rights Activist)





EMILY CARR (Artist)





FRIDA KAHLO (artist, activist)

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FINAL SPEED ROUND!

Be the first team to name 3 bands where
over half the members are women.