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Women's suffrage and Title IX ***

Victory at last, pages 22-23

90 minutes
individual work

Introduction

The women's suffrage movement was a decades-long fight to win the right to vote for women in the United States. It took activists and reformers nearly 100 years to win that right, and the campaign was not easy. Disagreements over strategy threatened to cripple the movement more than once. But on August 26, 1920, the 19th Amendment to the Constitution was finally ratified, enfranchising all American women and declaring for the first time that they, like men, deserve all the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.



The *purpose* of this web task is to study a brief history of women's suffrage in the United States and get acquainted with subject-specific vocabulary. The *theme* of the web task is women's suffrage. The *final task* is to write about college life with and without Title IX procedures and safeguards/protection.

Exploration

A

<http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/suffrage/history.htm>

<http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/suffrage/history2.htm>

1	Read about women's suffrage in the US, Great Britain, and other countries around the world.
2	The information about Saudi Arabia and Kuwait is outdated. Find out what the current situation in those countries is.
3	Choose 5 from the 10 words defined in the right margin. Use each word in a sentence of your own.
4	Read about the 19th Amendment. How many Amendments are there in total? You may know some of the other Amendments. Name at least two of them.
5	Under 'Show What You Know', take the quiz and record your score: http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/suffrage/quiz/index.asp

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http://teacher.scholastic.com/activities/suffrage/world_when.htm

Complete the 'Women's Suffrage Fact Sheet' with your choice of 25 countries.

The Netherlands is not listed with a date. Find out when women in the Netherlands first got the right to vote.

Final Task

Federally funded education in the United States can be seen as a social equaliser and is meant to prohibit any form of discrimination, particularly discrimination based on sex.

Read about 'Title IX' and sex discrimination on the Web. A good place to start is

https://www2.ed.gov/about/offices/list/ocr/docs/tix_dis.html?exp=0.

Imagine you're a female high school student applying at a 4-year college in the US. In 150-200 words, write about what the differences would be between your school experience *with* Title IX and *without* Title IX protection in place. Start your writing with a brief explanation of what Title IX is.