

Year 8 History: Summer Term Big Question: How was people power achieved?



Year 7

Medieval and Tudor class divisions in society – feudal system, idea of Gentry, Citizens, Labourers

Year 8

Industrial Revolution – differences between the urban and rural sectors through time

What will you be learning about?

During this topic we will be examining how voting rights changed in the 19th and early 20th century. Our initial focus will be on the problems that existed in the voting system. We will then turn to look at why these problems were finally rebelled against, how this happened and what impact the fights for fair suffrage had on Britain's voting system – chiefly focussing on the fight for women's enfranchisement.

Key Focus

The key skill focus for this unit will be **judgment**. You will be asked to make a judgment based on a statement about the actions and work of women, in relation to them gaining the right to vote. You will present an argument that considers why someone may both agree and disagree with the provided statement, and you will use own knowledge of the topic to support your point of view.

We will develop our learning by studying the following each week:

Lesson 1 - EQ: How divided was society in	RAG	Lesson 6 – EQ: Did Suffragette violence	RAG				
the 18 th century?		help or hinder the cause? Awe and					
Lesson 2 – EQ: What was voting like		wonder					
before the 19th century?		Lesson 7 – EQ: Did Emily Davison mean					
Lesson 3 – EQ: Was the Great Reform Act		to kill herself?					
really that great?	lly that great?		Lesson 8 – EQ: How did the government				
Lesson 4 – EQ: Who were the Chartists	son 4 – EQ: Who were the Chartists						
Lesson 5 – EQ: What was the difference	on 5 – EQ: What was the difference Less						
between Suffragists and Suffragettes?		WW1 on women's voting rights?					
Skills assessment		Lesson 10 – EQ: How did women get the					
		vote?					

Key Vocabulary

Pocket borough	Rotten borough	Suffragette	Suffragist	Chartist
Suffrage	Enfranchisement	militancy	government	Secret ballot

How will this unit help you in the future?

Year 9

Your **knowledge** from yr8 will help you better understand the impact of war, and also help compare the role of women elsewhere

GCSE

During GCSE history, the **skill** of judgement is seen in 16mark exam questions in all three papers.

EQ: How divided was society in the 18th century? **EQ:** Did Suffragette violence help or hinder Suburbs: An area on the edge of a large town or the cause? city where the wealthy people lived. **Hinder** –To slow down or stop progress **Upper Classes:** Group of wealthy individuals who **Deeds not words –** the belief you are more likely occupy the highest level of society e.g., to make changes with action rather than landowners, bankers protests. Middle Classes: Group of well-educated people who occupy the middle level of society e.g., doctors, lawyers, businessowners Working Class: Group of less wealthy individuals who occupy the lowest level of society e.g., teachers. These usually come under three groups: skilled, semiskilled and unskilled. EQ: What was voting like before the 19th century? EQ: Did Emily Davison mean to kill herself? Pocket borough - a borough in which the election **Martyr** – a person who dies due to their beliefs of political representatives was controlled by one 'Derby' - type of horse race person or family **Rotten borough** - a borough that was able to elect an MP despite having very few (if any) voters. Secret ballot - a ballot in which votes are cast in secret **Suffrage** - the right to vote in political elections EQ: Was the Great Reform Act really that great? EQ: How did the government respond Great Reform Act – law passed in 1832 aimed at to Suffragette actions? making major changes to the electoral system Cat and Mouse Act – introduced by Liberal government to tackle the issue of hunger striking Suffragettes Hunger Strike- refusing food or water to make a point **Force feeding** – method used to make people. Usually forceful and painful at this time EQ: Were the Chartists a success story? EQ: What impact did WW1 have on **Chartism** - a reform movement the principles of the suffrage movement? which were set out in a manifesto called **Munitions** – military **The People's Charter** – a document which called for weapons, ammunition, equipment and stores universal suffrage for men, voting by secret ballot, **WAAC** - Women's Army Auxiliary Corps abolition of property qualifications for MPs etc Constituencies - voting districts EQ: How did women get the vote? EQ: What was the difference between Suffragists and Suffragettes? Representation of the People Act - gave all men **Suffragette** – a woman seeking the right to vote over the age of 21 and some women the vote through organised, often militant, protest **Suffragist** - a person advocating that the right to vote be extended to more people, especially to women. **Militancy** - the use of confrontational or violent methods in support of a political or social cause: