Emmeline Pankhurst The Fight for Women's Rights

Emmeline Pankhurst was a British activist who played a big part in the fight for women's right to vote in the early 1900s. She was born in 1858 in Manchester, England, and grew up in a family that believed in fairness and equality. Her parents supported women's rights, and from a young age, Emmeline was inspired to make a change. She was determined to fight against the unfair laws that stopped women from having a voice in society.

At that time, women in the UK were not allowed to vote, which meant they couldn't help decide who ran the country. Emmeline thought this was very unfair. In 1903, she started a group called the Women's Social and Political Union (WSPU) to fight for women's right to vote. The group became known as the suffragettes and used the motto, "Deeds, not words." This meant they believed in taking action, not just talking.

The suffragettes did brave and bold things to get people's attention. They held marches, protested outside government buildings, chained themselves to railings, and sometimes even broke windows. Emmeline and other suffragettes were often arrested and sent to prison for their actions, where they were treated badly. In prison, they went on hunger strikes, refusing to eat as a way to protest. The authorities would force-feed them, which was painful and dangerous, but the suffragettes never gave up. Their bravery inspired many other women to join the fight, making the suffrage movement even stronger.

Emmeline also faced criticism from people who disagreed with her methods, but she believed that without drastic actions, nothing would change. She travelled around the country, speaking to large crowds and encouraging women to be brave and stand up for their rights. Despite being away from her family and facing constant threats, she never lost her determination.

In 1918, some women over the age of 30 were finally allowed to vote, and in 1928, all women over 21 got the same voting rights as men. Emmeline's courage and persistence were key to this success.

Emmeline Pankhurst's bravery and determination made her a hero in the fight for equality. She showed everyone that standing up for what you believe in can make a real difference. Today, we remember Emmeline as a leader who helped make the world a fairer place, proving that anyone can help change things for the better. Her story reminds us that fighting for what is right can change the world.

1.	Why did Emmeline Pankhurst start the Women's Social and Political Union (WSPU)?
2.	What did the suffragettes do to make people notice them?
3.	Why did they refuse to eat when they were in prison?
4.	How did Emmeline help change the laws so women could vote?
5.	What can we learn from Emmeline Pankhurst about standing up for what is right?
6.	In which year where all women over the age of 21 allowed to vote?

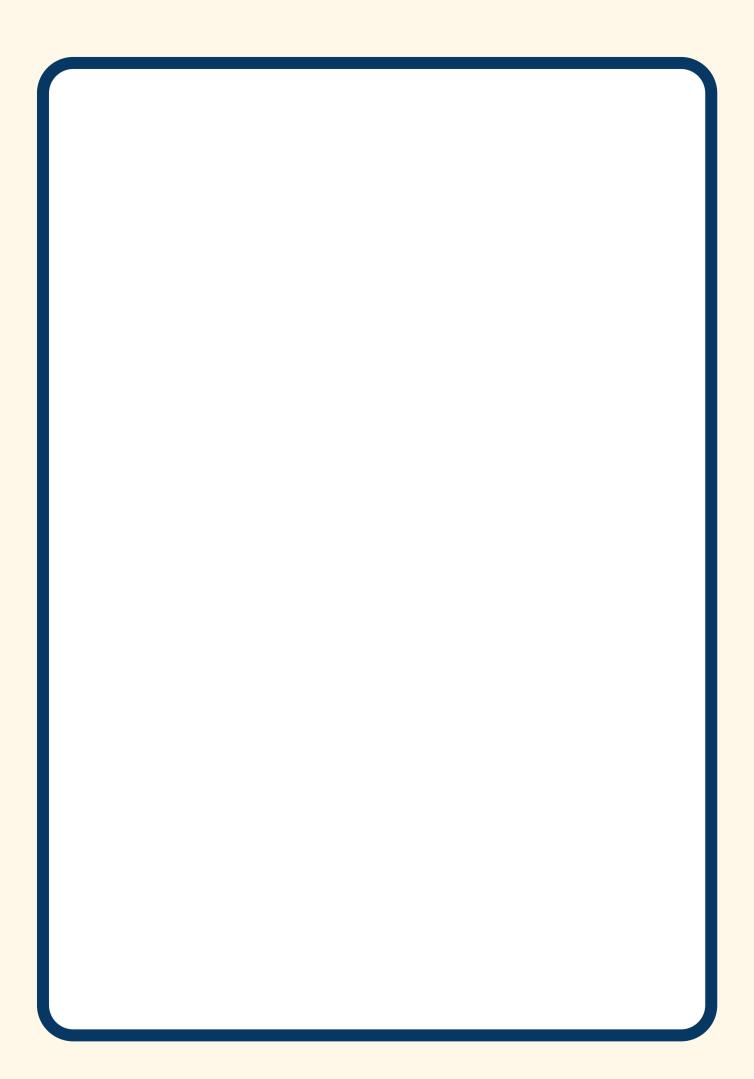
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Why do we celebrate her? Why is she influential?

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Create a timeline of Emmeline Pankhurst's life
Who or what influenced her in her life and work?
How is she remembered or thought of today?