

Setting The Scene

1. Explain why Rose Winslow was jailed in 1917. Why did women fighting for suffrage resort to hunger strikes? How did the prisons respond to the hunger strikes? Finally what is meant by the term suffrage?

Working for Women's Suffrage

2. What was the Seneca Falls Convention?

3. Who were Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan B. Anthony?

4. What goal did they have when they set up the National Women Suffrage Association?

Read the information below and answer the question that follows.

The Declaration of Sentiments, 1848

When, in the course of human events, it becomes necessary for one portion of the family of man to assume among the people of the earth a position different from that which they have hitherto occupied, but one to which the laws of nature and of nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes that impel them to such a course. We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men and women are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain inalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness; that to secure these rights governments are instituted, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. Whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of those who suffer from it to refuse allegiance to it, and to insist upon the institution of a new government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powers in such form, as to them shall seem most likely to effect their safety and happiness.

5. What was the main idea of the Declaration of Sentiments?

6. What other document in American history is similar to the Declaration of Sentiments? What is the main change from that document?

Women Vote in the West

7. Why did Western states grant suffrage for women before the states in the rest of the country?

Growing Support for Suffrage

8. What effect did Carrie Chapman Catt have on the suffragist movement?

The Nineteenth Amendment

9. Explain the 19th Amendment and how picketing the White House helped to get the constitutional change passed.

Women Win New Opportunities

10. Explain some of the new opportunities gained by women after the passage of the 19th Amendment.

A. Higher Education

B. Women's Clubs

C. Women Reformers

The Crusade Against Alcohol Prohibition

11. What was the main goal and why did many women support the temperance movement?

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Women's Christian Temperance Movement

12. How did the temperance movement lead the fight for prohibition?

13. Who was Carrie Nation and what was her role in the fight for prohibition?

The Eighteenth Amendment

14. Explain the 18th Amendment?
