

The History and Evolution of International Women's Day

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1. For how long has International Women's Day (IWD) provided an opportunity for groups advocating for gender equality?

- A) A few decades
- B) Over a century
- C) Since the 1950s
- D) Less than 50 years

2. Who is credited with championing women's rights and laying groundwork for feminist movements that shaped IWD?

- A) Modern social media influencers
- B) First wave feminist groups like suffragettes and suffragists
- C) 21st-century political leaders
- D) Contemporary business magnates

3. What did Abigail Smith Adams urge the Continental Congress to consider in 1776?

- A) Economic policies for men
- B) Women's rights and protections
- C) Military strategies for defense
- D) Trade agreements with foreign nations

4. In what year did Mary Wollstonecraft advocate for educational and social equality for women in her book?

- A) 1776
- B) 1857
- C) 1792
- D) 1903

5. What was the focus of the first organized strike by women workers in New York City in 1857?

- A) Demanding shorter workdays and decent wages
- B) Protesting against technological advancements
- C) Advocating for increased leisure time
- D) Seeking higher profits for factory owners

6. Which organization was founded by Emmeline Pankhurst in Manchester, England, in 1903?

- A) The National Woman's Party
- B) The Women's Social and Political Union (WSPU)
- C) The International Alliance of Women
- D) The League of Women Voters

7. What was the subject of the first edition of the WSPU newspaper 'Votes for Women' launched in 1907?

- A) Women's healthcare advancements
- B) The history of the British monarchy
- C) The pursuit of voting rights for women
- D) International diplomatic relations

8. What did women workers in needle trades protest in New York City's Lower East Side in 1908?

- A) Longer working hours
- B) Child labor and sweatshop conditions, and demanded suffrage
- C) Low wages and unfair promotion policies
- D) Lack of recreational facilities

9. Who conceived the idea of a 'National Woman's Day' in 1909?

- A) Clara Zetkin
- B) Emmeline Pankhurst
- C) Theresa Malkiel
- D) Gloria Steinem

10. At which conference was the idea of an International Women's Day first tabled and unanimously supported?

- A) The First International Socialist Women's Conference
- B) The Second International Socialist Women's Conference
- C) The World Conference on Women
- D) The United Nations General Assembly

11. In which countries was IWD marked for the first time in 1911?

- A) United States, Canada, Mexico
- B) Austria, Denmark, Germany, and Switzerland
- C) United Kingdom, France, Italy
- D) Russia, China, Japan

12. When was the first observance of IWD in Russia?

- A) 1909
- B) 1911
- C) 1913
- D) 1917

13. What was the reason for women in Russia striking for 'bread and peace' in 1917?

- A) Demand for better movie selections
- B) Protesting food shortages, poor living conditions, and World War I
- C) Seeking higher salaries for artists
- D) Calling for more public holidays

14. What right was granted to some women of a certain age and circumstance in the UK with the Representation of the People Bill in 1918?

- A) The right to drive
- B) The right to vote
- C) The right to own property
- D) The right to serve in the military

15. Who declared March 8 as International Working Women's Day in 1922?

- A) Vladimir Lenin
- B) Joseph Stalin
- C) Leon Trotsky
- D) Mao Zedong

16. Which countries marked IWD as an official holiday in 1922?

- A) China, Japan, Korea
- B) Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan
- C) India, Pakistan, Bangladesh
- D) Brazil, Argentina, Chile

17. When was the first IWD rally held in Australia?

- A) 1911
- B) 1922
- C) 1928
- D) 1949

18. What significant act was passed in the UK in 1928 regarding voting rights?

- A) The Representation of the People (Equal Franchise) Act
- B) The Women's Suffrage Act
- C) The Universal Suffrage Act
- D) The Electoral Reform Act

19. Which leader announced October 20 as 'Vietnamese Women's Day' in 1930?

- A) Ho Chi Minh
- B) Vo Nguyen Giap
- C) Pham Van Dong
- D) Le Duan