

Chapter 5. Women Change the World

Very Short Q&A:

Q1: Our society has changed a lot for women as a result of their struggle for equality True / False.

Ans: True

Q2: Identify the agricultural work done by Indian women

- a. Planting and weeding
- b. Threshing and harvesting
- c. Threshing
- d. Both a and b

Ans: d

Q3: Why women are considered as better nurse?

Ans: Because they are more patient and gentle

Q4: Give an example where a girl brooked stereotypes.

Ans: Generally engine drivers are male, but Laxmi Lakra from a poor tribal family in Jharkhand is the first women engine driver for Northern Railway.

Q5: Laxmi Lakra belongs to a poor tribal family in Orissa. True / False

Ans: False

Q6: In most families, once girls finish school, they are encouraged by their family to see _____ as their main aim in life

Ans: Marriage

Q7: In India there are many girls who do not get the same support that boys do to study and to lead a better life. Give an example from your neighbourhood to support this statement.

Ans: Individual answer.



Q8: Sumit has passed his 12th board exams. Now his father wants him to study maths and computers rather than history and languages. What do you think, why his father wants him to study maths and computers?

Ans: Individual answer.

Q9: After lot of efforts made my men and women, _____opened to educate female child.

Ans: girl's school

Q10: What do u think, why women had to struggle to learn to read and write?

Ans: Individual answer

Q11: Ramabai was given the title_____.

Ans: Pandita

Q12: Ramabai also work for the betterment of _____ and poor women.

Ans: Widows

Q13: In Ramabai's mission women were taught

- a. Carpentry
- b. Running a printing press
- c. Both a and b
- d. None of these

Ans: c

Q14: Women wrote stories, letters and autobiographies describing their situation and experience of inequality. True/ False.

Ans: True

Q15: Name the first known autobiography written by an Indian woman

Ans: Amar Jiban

Q16: Why women were not allowed to read and write English?

Ans: It was believed that English was a language that would expose girls to new ideas, which people thought were not correct for them.

Q17: State important features of ladyland..

Ans: Women had freedom to study, work and create inventions like flying air cars and controlling rain from cloud.

Q18: Rokeya Sakhawat Hossain started a _____ for girls.

Ans: School

Q19: Name the place where Rokeya Sakhawat Hossain started a school for girls.

Ans: Kolkata

Q20: State some reasons that forces girls to leave school and studies.

Ans: Poverty, inadequate schooling facility and discrimination.

Q21: Name the book whose one of the page was taken out secretly by Rashsundari Devi.

Ans: Chaitanya Bhagabat

Q22: State some fields where girls are working at larger level in India.

Ans: Fields like legal reform, violence and health

Q23: Name the women whose daughter was murdered for dowry and she became an active member of the movement against dowry death.

Ans: Satyarani

Q24: _____ and _____ are very powerful way of drawing attentions to injustices.

Ans: Public rallies and demonstrations.

Q25: International Women's day is celebrated on _____

Ans: 8th March



Short Q&A:

Q1: How do you think stereotypes, about what women can do and what they cannot do, affect women's right to equality?

Ans: Stereotypes about what women can or cannot do affects women's right to equality because they are considered weak and incapable of doing strong works. And thus women are called inferior to men. They are paid less salaries / wages than their man counterparts.

Q2: Poor girls drop out of school because they are not interested in getting an education". Do you think this is true, give reason to support your answer?

Ans: Individual answers

Q3: Why do you think learning alphabets was actually important to women like Rashsundari Devi, Ramabai and Rokeya?

Ans: Learning the alphabet was so important to women like Rashsundari Devi, Ramabai and Rokeya because after learning alphabet they could achieve their goals and fulfill their dreams and contribute the society.

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- Rokeya: She started a school for girls in Kolkata in 1910 and thus helped other girls to get education.

Q4: Why Ramabai was given title pandita?

Ans: Ramabai could read and write Sanskrit, a remarkable achievement as women as they were not allowed such knowledge.

Q5: Write brief note about Ramabai achievement.

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Q6: Write short notes about Rashsundari Devi and her contribution to society in improving women situation.

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Q7: Describe few methods of struggle used by women to raise their issues.

Ans: Following are the methods of struggle that women's movement used to raise their issues:

- (i) Raising awareness through street plays, songs and public meetings.
 - (ii) Protesting through public rallies and powerful way of drawing attention to injustice.
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