

# Headline: What's changed for women's rights?

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With the recent events on women's rights, people all over the world have been doing things to celebrate the evolution of female suffrage. Over the last 100 years women have been paving the way to equality.

Woman in countries across the world put themselves forward to fight for what they believed: that they were equal to all men and they should have the same opportunities.

This took them many years just to get the vote and in the UK, even then they had to be over 30 years of age and be a house owner or be married to one.

For many people this was unfair, so they started to speak up, which was so hard for ladies who in this time had barely any respect and were thought to be the people who did all the house work, and never stepped out of line with anything that they did.

A Herefordshire local commented when asked about woman's rights that she totally agree with it: "I think that if a woman can do a man's job exactly the same, she should get the same recognition, the same respect and the same wage."

Many people have had a lot to say about this topic such as a women who herself was a big part of founding the women's rights campaign. Famous author Jane Austen wrote: "*I hate to hear you talk about all women as if they were fine ladies instead of rational creatures. None of us want to be in calm waters all our lives.*"

Still today women's rights are still not equal: according to recent global research:

- 24% of women's earnings globally are less than men's.
- 50,000 lives would be saved if women completed primary education
- 18 countries require women to have her husband's approval to get a job
- Women spend 5 hours each day on unpaid domestic work

