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What year was International Women's Day first celebrated?

☒ 1911

International Women's Day was first marked in Austria, Denmark, Germany and Switzerland on 19 March 1911. Over one million people attended rallies campaigning for an end to discrimination that year. Before that, National Women's Day was held in New York in 1909.

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Who was the First Woman to Fly Solo across the Atlantic?

☒ Amelia Earhart

In May 1932, the Kansas-born record-breaker became the first woman to fly solo, nonstop, across the Atlantic Ocean.

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The Rock & Roll Hall of Fame inducted its first female performer in 1987. Who was it?

☒ Aretha Franklin

The Queen of Soul's hits like Respect and Natural Woman earned her a spot in the Hall of Fame and on many other lists, including Rolling Stone magazine's 100 Greatest Singers, where Aretha came in at No.1.

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Which country was the first to give women the right to vote?

☒ New Zealand

New Zealand women went to the polls for the first time, just 10 weeks after the governor signed the Electoral Act 1893, making this country the first in which women had the right to vote in parliamentary elections.

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Which country had the first female prime minister in the world?

☒ Sri Lanka

Sirimavo Bandaranaike of Ceylon was the first woman to be democratically elected as prime minister of a nation. She won three times as prime minister of Sri Lanka and Ceylon.

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Who was the first woman to win a Nobel Prize?

☒ Marie Curie

The first woman to win a Nobel Prize and the only woman to win two Nobel Prizes was Polish-French scientist and chemist Marie Sklodowska Curie. The Nobel Prize in Physics was awarded to Curie in 1903 and in Chemistry in 1911, making Curie the only person in history to win a Nobel prize in two different fields.



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Which female author wrote "To Kill a Mockingbird"?

Nelle Harper Lee

Nelle Harper Lee was an American novelist whose 1960 novel *To Kill a Mockingbird* won the 1961 Pulitzer Prize and became a classic of modern American literature.

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As of January 2025, which country has the highest percentage of women in parliament?

☒ Rwanda

Only six countries have 50 per cent or more women in parliament in single or lower houses: Rwanda (61 per cent), Cuba (56 per cent), Nicaragua (54 per cent), Andorra (50 per cent), Mexico (50 per cent), New Zealand (50 per cent), and the United Arab Emirates (50 per cent).

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Known for her fierce climate activism, which Swedish girl united the youth of the world to lobby for political change to tackle the climate crisis?

Greta Thunberg

Thunberg's climate activism began when she persuaded her parents to adopt lifestyle choices that reduced her family's carbon footprint. In August 2018, aged 15, Thunberg began skipping school, vowing to remain out of school until after a Swedish election to attempt to influence the outcome. She protested outside the Swedish parliament where she called for stronger action on climate change.

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Who became the first woman elected as a member of Parliament in Australia in 1921?

☒ Edith Cowan

Edith worked tirelessly to advocate women's rights and showed a true commitment to the betterment of education and health & justice issues. In 1894, Edith was one of the founding members of the Karrakatta Club that outwardly campaigned for women to position themselves in life with degrees, jobs and roles that were equal to their male counterparts.

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Famous for not giving up her seat on an Alabama bus based on her race, which female was a pioneer for the US civil rights movement?

Rosa Parks

On December 1, 1955, Parks was riding a crowded Montgomery city bus when the driver, upon noticing that there were white passengers standing in the aisle, asked Parks and other Black passengers to surrender their seats and stand. Three of the passengers left their seats, but Parks refused. She was subsequently arrested and fined \$10 for the offense and \$4 for court costs, neither of which she paid.

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How many Australians will be diagnosed with breast cancer every day?

☒ 58

Everyday 58 people in Australia will be diagnosed with breast cancer. That equates to over 21,000 people in Australia being diagnosed with breast cancer each year. Around 1,000 young women aged under 40 are diagnosed with breast cancer each year, equivalent to about 3 young women each day.