

Famous British Women

Read about eight British women that have changed the world.

Then do a short research and write in the blank spaces their names and the period in which they lived.



Name: _____

Period: _____

She was the first queen who ruled over 40 years. She defeated the Spanish navy and was a patron to Shakespeare.



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Period: _____

During the reign of this queen, Great Britain was the greatest colonial force in the world. She was the most powerful woman of the 19th century.



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Period: _____

She nursed British troops during the Crimean War at a military hospital, the first woman allowed to do so. She dedicated her life to improving health care and sanitation.



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Period: _____

She was the head of the British Suffragette movement. She helped British women achieve the right to vote, which happened on February 6, 1918.



Name: _____

Period: _____

She was the first female British Prime Minister. Her 11 years in office made her the longest-serving PM of the 20th century. She was a Conservative and her nick-name was the Iron Lady.



Name: _____

Period: _____

She is one of just 3 actresses in the world that have received an Emmy, Tony, Grammy and Oscar awards. She stopped making films to concentrate on humanitarian and relief work for UNICEF.



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Period: _____

She is the world's highest-paid author and was the most influential British woman of 2010. Her Harry Potter books were published 20 years ago but are still loved by children and adults.



Name: _____

Period: _____

She is the first woman to have three simultaneous top 10 singles as a lead artist. She is considered a British cultural icon of the 21st century.

Questions and tasks:

- 1 Which of these women did you know about, and who is a new name to you?
- 2 What do you think: Whose life was the most difficult?
- 3 Who would you like to meet? Why?
- 4 Do further research about one of the women, or choose another famous British woman to give a presentation or write a short essay about.
- 5 Make a similar list of the most famous Croatian women in history.

Teacher's aid

1533 - 1603 Queen Elizabeth I

1819 - 1901 Queen Victoria

1820 - 1910 Florence Nightingale

1858 - 1928 Emmeline Pankhurst

1925 - 2013 Margaret Thatcher

1929 - 1993 Audrey Hepburn

1965 - J.K. Rowling

1988 - Adele