

# EMMELINE PANKHURST

MOST PASSIONATE AND DETERMINED CAMPAIGNER THAT THERE SHOULD INDEED BE

# VOTES FOR WOMEN



Emmeline Pankhurst giving a rousing speech to onlookers with her suffragette daughters, Christabel and Sylvia.

In England, in 1903 Emmeline Pankhurst set out to inspire women from all walks of life – rich and poor, young and old – to campaign for an end to the law that said women weren't allowed to vote. These women became known as the suffragettes.

With Mrs Pankhurst as their leader, the suffragettes were determined to show those people who didn't think women had anything important to say about how the country should be run that they were wrong ...

VERY WRONG!



## DEEDS NOT WORDS!

Emmeline said the only way to make people take the suffragette message seriously was to use **DEEDS NOT WORDS**, even if it meant getting into trouble with the police and sometimes, being sent to prison.

### SUFFRAGETTE DEEDS:



Protesting with banners

Chaining oneself to the railings

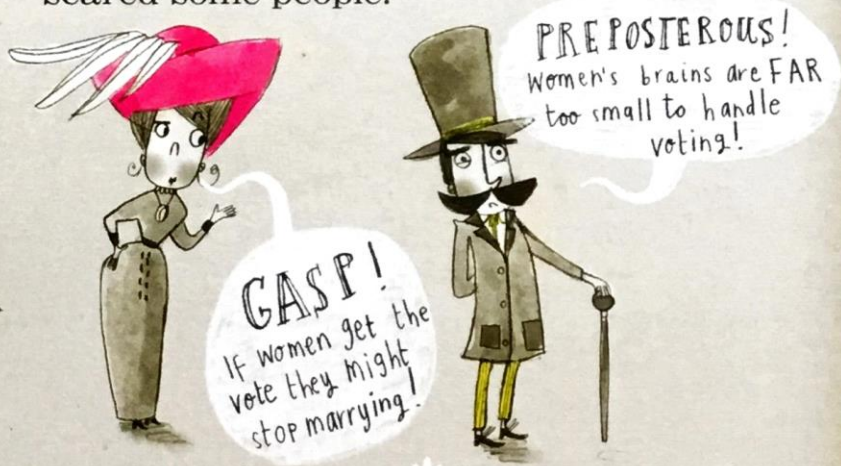
Disrupting political speeches

NO! I shant move!

Boooo!

## VOTES FOR WOMEN? NEVER!

Emmeline had a tough time persuading society that **VOTES FOR WOMEN** was a good idea. The idea shocked and scared some people.



GASP!  
If women get the vote they might stop marrying!

PREPOSTEROUS!  
Women's brains are FAR too small to handle voting!

## HOORAY! WOMEN GET THE VOTE!

In 1918, the law was finally changed and some women aged over 30 were allowed to vote. It wasn't until 1928, shortly after Emmeline's death, that all women aged over 21 were allowed to vote.

## THE SUFFRAGETTES NEED YOU!

If you had been the suffragette to hand out the most copies of the Suffragette newspaper you might have won a new bicycle!

It would have been painted in the suffragette colours - purple, white and green. You could have cycled far and wide recruiting more suffragettes.

