

INTERNATIONAL WOMENS DAY

WHAT IS INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY?

International women's day, originally called international working women's day, is celebrated on the 8th of March every year. It's a celebration of respect and appreciation for women economic, political and social achievements. It is also a time for social awareness of the struggles of women worldwide. Some celebrate this by wearing purple ribbons.



SEXISM AFFECTING WOMEN AROUND THE WORLD



Sexism affects many women across the world. One study shows that women do 66% of the world's work and produce 50% of the food but earn only 10% of incomes and own 1% of the property globally .In Iraq, disabled women face a lot of discrimination. They are expected to become prisoners of their own homes,

here is what one women had to say: “ I remember once there was a police officer at my university who asked me to get out of the car and walk into the building. When I told him I couldn’t walk he said if you are “handicapped” then you shouldn’t be out.” - Noor aged 25 (The Guardian)

SEXISM AFFECTING WOMEN IN THE UK



UK Sexism in the workplace is still an issue as there are statistics that show that 72% of women in the workplace experience sexist bullying in work. There is one woman who is a doctor but the patients in the hospital think differently, here is what she has to

say: “ I am a female doctor

working in a public hospital. I am constantly reminded by patients and other hospital staff that being a female

doctor is not yet accepted by society. The first thing a patient says when they see me is "Nurse, can I get another sandwich?", "Nurse, can I get another blanket?" or my personal favorite, "Are you a nursing student?" There have been several occasions when I have spent over 40 minutes with a patient, explaining to them that I am their doctor and running through the investigations and treatment I am going to provide, and all I get in response is: "OK, but when do I get to see the

doctor?". ” - (The Guardian - no name listed)

INFUENTIAL WOMEN



There are a lot of influential women that have made their place in history such as Emmeline Pankhurst. She lived from 1858 to 1928 and was born in Manchester. She was known for lead to the movement for women to vote. She married Richard Pankhurst who

was a lawyer and a supporter of the suffragettes. Emmeline was the founder of the suffragettes which fought to allow women to vote in local elections. She had two children called Silvia and Christabel who were also both part of the movement. The suffragettes did many things to get noticed through window smashing, hunger strikes and more. Like many suffragettes Emmeline Pankhurst was arrested many times during the movement. Her fight meant that in 1918 women were given the vote.



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