

# Women's History Vocabulary

## 1. Achievement

- **Definition:** A thing that has been successfully completed, especially by effort, skill, or courage.
  - **Example:** "Winning an Olympic medal is a great achievement."
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## 2. Activist

- **Definition:** A person who works to bring about political or social change.
  - **Example:** "Malala Yousafzai is an activist who fights for girls' education."
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## 3. Perseverance

- **Definition:** Continued effort to do or achieve something despite difficulties, failure, or opposition.
  - **Example:** "It took great perseverance for Amanda Gorman to become a successful poet."
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## 4. Legacy

- **Definition:** Something handed down from one generation to the next, especially a positive impact left behind by a person.
  - **Example:** "Frida Kahlo's legacy lives on in her artwork and influence on modern feminism."
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## 5. Barriers

- **Definition:** Obstacles that prevent movement or progress, often in terms of social, political, or personal challenges.
  - **Example:** "Bessie Coleman faced barriers in the U.S. because of her race and gender, but she overcame them."
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## 6. Pioneering

- **Definition:** Involving new ideas or methods; being the first to do something.
  - **Example:** "Marie Curie was a pioneering scientist who contributed to the discovery of radioactivity."
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## 7. Empowerment

- **Definition:** The process of becoming stronger and more confident, especially in controlling one's life.
  - **Example:** "Kamala Harris's election as Vice President is a great example of women's empowerment."
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## 8. Influence

- **Definition:** The power to have an effect on people or things.
  - **Example:** "Sonia Sotomayor has had a significant influence on the U.S. legal system."
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## 9. Resilience

- **Definition:** The ability to recover quickly from difficulties or toughness.
  - **Example:** "Misty Copeland showed resilience when she overcame personal and professional challenges to become a principal dancer."
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## 10. Trailblazer

- **Definition:** A person who is the first to do something or who opens the way for others.
  - **Example:** "Ruby Bridges was a trailblazer when she desegregated a school in the 1960s."
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## 11. Trailblazing

- **Definition:** Leading the way or setting a precedent in a particular field or activity.
- **Example:** "Mae Jemison's trailblazing journey into space inspired many young women."

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## 12. Milestone

- **Definition:** A significant event or point in the progress of something.
  - **Example:** "Yulimar Rojas set a milestone in the triple jump event when she broke the world record."
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## 13. Barriers

- **Definition:** Obstacles that prevent progress or achievement.
  - **Example:** "Many women face societal barriers in leadership roles."
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## 14. Inspiration

- **Definition:** The process of being mentally stimulated to do or feel something, especially something creative.
  - **Example:** "Frida Kahlo's life and art continue to inspire millions around the world."
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## 15. Honor

- **Definition:** High respect or esteem, often bestowed for an achievement.
  - **Example:** "Elizabeth Blackwell was honored for being the first woman to earn a medical degree in the U.S."
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## 16. Champion

- **Definition:** A person who fights or argues for a cause or on behalf of someone else; also someone who wins a competition.
  - **Example:** "Simone Biles is a champion gymnast who has won multiple Olympic gold medals."
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## 17. Groundbreaking

- **Definition:** New and innovative; introducing new ideas or methods.

- **Example:** "Marie Curie's groundbreaking research on radioactivity changed the field of science."