On 21 November 1918, nine months after the first women in the UK won the right to vote, The Parliament (Qualification of Women) Act was passed, allowing women to stand as MPs for the first time.

Webmistress: Helena Wojtczak, author of books on women's history. This website is a place where everything about British women’s history can be found — without being muddled up with people and events of other countries. Read more...

Below is a chronological narrative of women’s emancipation.

"This is the only history and account of British women’s writing from 1970 that manages to cover — brilliantly and exhaustively — the sub-genres of British women’s writing of the period, but also non-literary genres such as digital media and journalism.

Women in British History - Intriguing History

Abstract. Most research on the history of the relationship between British feminism and imperialism has focused on the 19th century. This was both the period of ‘first wave feminism’ — of the first organized women’s movement — and the period of high imperial expansion, during which women were active in imperial and women’s rights movements in the British colonies. This book brings together for the first time detailed and original research on the complex relationship between British feminism and imperialism in the 1830s and 1840s. In particular, this book challenges the widely-held view that British feminism was an expression of imperial aspirations. It examines how imperialism shaped British feminism, and how feminism shaped British imperialism.

Women who changed the world | Biography Online

For the last three years, Bentil has worked to recover and reclaim black British women’s experiences through oral history interviews, with a focus on the late 1940s to late 1980s.

The History Of British Women's Writing 1920-1945 Volume Eight

"The history of the world is but the biography of great men.” Or so Thomas Carlyle claimed. Jenni Murray, a journalist who has written and presented a number of major projects on women, has written this book through her sharp and perceptive eye. A History of Britain in 21 Women, through short, fascinating, and humorous biographies on twenty-one women who have had a part to play across time and place specific events or a series of such and are either listed or further explored on these pages. British women, together with women across the world, fought long and hard to just get the right to vote in the 20th century so definitely worth a look.

Famous British Women

A brief history of British women MPs — Google Arts & Culture

To celebrate International Women’s Day, here are 10 of the most notable women in British history Boudicca (died 60/61AD). The queen of the Iceni tribe of what is now Norfolk and Essex, she led a rebellion against the Romans in Britain in 60 AD. She is the only woman to be commemorated on a British coin. Emmeline Pankhurst (1858–1928). Pankhurst was an advocate of women’s rights and served as the secretary of the Women’s Social and Political Union. She was arrested multiple times as part of her activism. Florence Nightingale (1820-1910). Simnelne Pacshurth ...