Women Who Changed the World

Marie Curie

Margaret Thatcher

Claudia Jones

Jane Cooke Wright

Speaker 1: We need to answer some questions about four important women. Let's start with Marie Curie. Do you remember what she did?

Speaker 2: Yes. Marie Curie worked in 1_____. She was a 2_____ and a scientist.

Speaker 1: That's right. She was born in Poland and became an important scientist.

Speaker 2: She studied 3_____, discovered two new elements, radium and polonium, and developed a portable X-ray machine.

Speaker 1: That machine was very useful because doctors could use it to examine people more easily.

Speaker 2: She also 4_____ two Nobel Prizes, didn't she?

Speaker 1: Yes. She won one Nobel Prize in Physics and another in Chemistry.

Speaker 2: That was an incredible achievement. She was the first person to win Nobel Prizes in two different sciences.

Speaker 1: Now, let's talk about Margaret Thatcher. What was her profession?

Speaker 2: Margaret Thatcher was a 5_____. She worked in politics and became the prime minister of Britain.

Speaker 1: When did most of her great achievements take place?

Speaker 2: They took place during her 6_____ term as prime minister.

Speaker 1: Exactly. She became one of the most important British politicians of the postwar period.

Speaker 2: The four women had very different professions. Marie Curie was a scientist, but Margaret Thatcher was a politician.

Speaker 1: Yes. What about Claudia Jones?

Speaker 2: Claudia Jones was a writer and a 7_____. She was born in Trinidad and later moved to Harlem.

Speaker 1: She became an active political member and wrote about important social problems.

Speaker 2: Her work focused on the problems faced by Black women.

Speaker 1: What topics did she discuss in her article?

Speaker 2: She discussed race, class and 8_____. She wanted people to understand the different forms of oppression experienced by Black women.

Speaker 1: Her writing helped people think more carefully about equality and social justice.

Speaker 2: Finally, we have Jane Cooke Wright. What did she work with?

Speaker 1: Jane Cooke Wright was a 9_____, and a researcher. She worked with cancer research and medicine.

Speaker 2: She became from a family of physicians, didn't she?

Speaker 1: Yes. Her father and grandfather were also physicians.

Speaker 2: How did Jane contribute to society?

Speaker 1: She helped researchers discover and develop 10_____ as a treatment for cancer.

Speaker 2: She also helped found an important medical organization and later became the president of the New York Cancer Society.

Speaker 1: She had important leadership positions in medicine and helped improve cancer research and treatment.

Speaker 2: So, Marie Curie worked in science, Margaret Thatcher worked in politics, Claudia Jones worked as a writer and journalist, and Jane Cooke Wright worked in medicine and cancer research.

Speaker 1: Exactly. They had different professions, but they all made important contributions to society.

Speaker 2: Their stories show that women worked in many different areas and helped change the world.

LIVEWORKSHEETS