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WOMEN'S RIGHTS

For years and years, women had been fighting for many rights. Women were not treated equally to men. Laws were in place that did not allow women to vote.

After years of work, things were slowly changing. More and more women were finishing high school and going to college. By 1900, laws were being passed that allowed women to own property.

There were still needed changes. For example, jobs were divided into women's work and men's work. Women weren't allowed to have certain jobs, and they were still denied the right to vote.

Many women leaders worked to bring this right to all women. These women held marches demanding the right to vote. They wrote letters and made speeches to the nation's leaders.

Finally, in 1920, all adult women were given the right to vote. This was the 19th Amendment to the constitution.

STORY QUESTIONS

1. Which paragraph explains when women were finally allowed to own property?
 - a. first paragraph
 - b. last paragraph
 - c. third paragraph
 - d. second paragraph
2. What inferences can you make about why women finally received the right to vote?
 - a. They had been demanding it for years.
 - b. They made convincing arguments in speeches and letters.
 - c. It was only a matter of time before they would be given the right.
 - d. Women had to demonstrate they were capable of voting.
3. What is the author's opinion about women voting?
 - a. The author thinks that it was a great day when women got the right to vote.
 - b. The author thinks there has not been enough research on women's voting rights.
 - c. The author is interested in sharing the fascinating process of how to vote.
 - d. The author is indebted to and feels happy that men allowed women the right to vote.