



*Listen to Madonna's acceptance speech at the 2016 Billboard Woman of the Year ceremony and fill the gaps to complete the following text.*

Madonna starts her speech by thanking the audience for the acknowledgement of her ability to continue her career for 34 years in the face of \_\_\_\_\_ sexism and misogyny and constant bullying and \_\_\_\_\_ abuse.

During her first year in New York, amongst other attacks, she had her apartment \_\_\_\_\_ and robbed so many times she just stopped locking the door.

"One headline compared me to satan. I said, wait a minute, isn't Prince running around with \_\_\_\_\_ and high heels and lipstick with its butt hanging on ? Yes, he was but he was a man".

"Camille Paglia, the famous feminist writer, said I set women back by objectifying myself sexually. So I thought, 'oh, if you're a feminist, you don't have sexuality, you \_\_\_\_\_ it.' So I said 'fuck it. I'm a different kind of feminist. I'm a bad feminist.'"

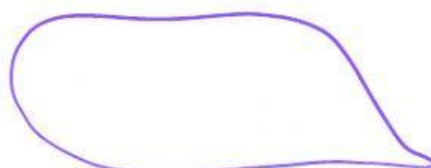

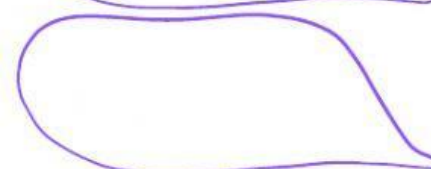



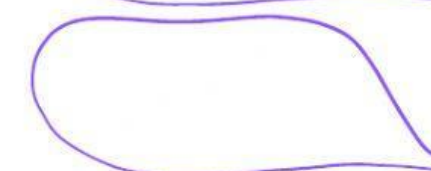
Women have been so \_\_\_\_\_ for so long that they believe what men say about them. And they believe they have to back a man to get the job done. And there are some very good men that worth of backing, but not because they're men but because they're \_\_\_\_\_.

But to the doubters, to the \_\_\_\_\_, to everyone who gave me hell and said that I could not, that I would not, that I must not : your \_\_\_\_\_ made me stronger, made me push harder, made me the fighter that I am today, made me the woman that I'm today. So thank you.

Match these words from the speech with their corresponding definitions

GIRLS JUST  
WANNA HAVE  
FUNDAMENTAL  
HUMAN RIGHTS

**vilified**    **naysayers**    **clap back at**    **bust**  
**daring**    **puzzled**    **misogyny**

-  To respond quickly to critical remarks or unfair treatment.
-  (of a person or action) adventurous or audaciously bold.
-  dislike of, contempt for, or ingrained prejudice against women.
-  spoken to or written about in an abusively disparaging manner.
-  people who criticise, object to, or oppose something.
-  unable to understand; perplexed.
-  break, split, or burst.

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