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Unit 6: Gender Equality

Gender Equality in Today's World

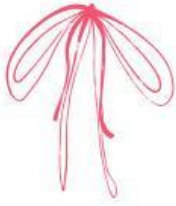
Gender equality means that men and women have the same rights, responsibilities, and opportunities in all areas of life. It does not mean that men and women are exactly the same, but that they should be treated fairly and with respect.

In the past, women were often expected to stay at home and take care of children, while men worked outside to earn money. These traditional roles created gender stereotypes, which limited people's choices. For example, girls were sometimes discouraged from studying science, and boys were told not to express their emotions.

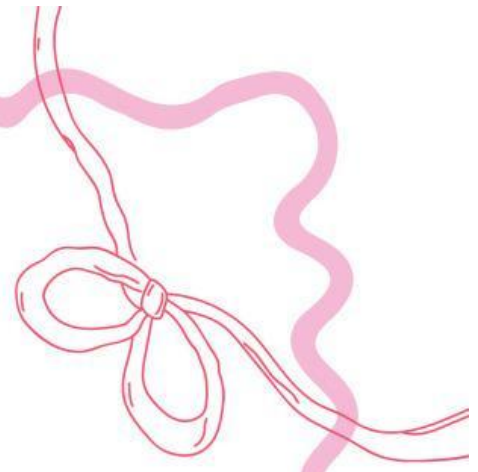
Today, many countries have made progress in promoting gender equality. More girls have access to education, and more women hold important positions in business and government. At the same time, many men share household chores and childcare duties. This change helps create a more balanced and supportive family life.

However, challenges still remain. In some places, women are paid less than men for doing the same job. In addition, some girls are forced to leave school early. To achieve true equality, governments, schools, and families must work together to remove unfair treatment and provide equal opportunities for everyone.

Students can also play an important role by respecting each other, speaking out against discrimination, and supporting equal participation in all school activities.



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I. Matching Words with Definitions

Match the words (1–5) with the correct definitions (A–E).

1 Equality

A. Unfair treatment of a person or group

2 Stereotype

B. A fixed idea about a group of people

3 Discouraged

C. Prevented or made less confident

4 Balanced

D. A situation in which things are equal and fair

5 Discrimination

E. In a way that gives equal importance to different things

II. True / False Statements

Write True (T) or False (F).

1. Gender equality means men and women are completely the same.

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F

2. In the past, women mainly worked outside the home.

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F

3. Gender stereotypes can limit people's choices.

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F

4. Women everywhere are paid the same as men today.

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F

5. Students can help promote gender equality at school.

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F

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III. Multiple Choice Questions

Choose the best answer (A, B, C, or D).

1. What is the main idea of the passage?

- A. Women should stay at home
- B. The importance of gender equality
- C. The history of education
- D. The role of government

2. In the past, men were mainly expected to _____.

- A. cook meals
- B. take care of children
- C. earn money
- D. stay at home

3. The word “stereotypes” in paragraph 2 is closest in meaning to _____.

- A. opportunities
- B. fixed ideas
- C. achievements
- D. responsibilities

4. According to the passage, one remaining challenge is _____.

- A. lack of schools
- B. unfair pay
- C. too many leaders
- D. too much education

5. Students can promote equality by _____.

- A. ignoring problems
- B. avoiding teamwork
- C. respecting each other
- D. competing unfairly