

EQ: How Have Significant Women Changed History?

Science & Technology:

Ada Lovelace inspired computing and programming.



1815 – Ada Lovelace
born
1819 – Queen Victoria
born

Politics & Leadership:

Queen Victoria influenced Empire.
Emmeline Pankhurst influenced laws to give women political rights.



1843 – Ada Lovelace writes first
computer algorithm

1858 – Emmeline Pankhurst born



1901 – Queen Victoria dies

1903 – Pankhurst founds the
Suffragette movement

1913 – Rosa Parks born

Civil Rights & Social Change:

Rosa Parks advanced equality and challenged racial discrimination.



1940 – Wangari Maathai born

1955 – Rosa Parks actions spark
the Montgomery Bus Boycott

Environment & Global Activism:

Wangari Maathai promoted women's empowerment and environmental protection.



2004 – Wangari Maathai wins
Nobel Peace Prize

1800

1825

1850

1875

1900

1925

1950

1975

2000

2025

What Does Significant Mean?

In history, “**significant**” means someone or something that had an **important impact on events, society, or ideas**. A significant person in history may have:

- Changed laws or government policies
- Inspired social movements
- Made breakthroughs in science, technology, or culture
- Challenged unfair systems or traditions

Top Tips To Remember:

Significance is measured by the **long-term effects** of a person's actions (**legacy**), not just their fame at the time.

These women were alive at different times, yet all changed the status quo. Their actions led to lasting change in many fields.