

Important Topic Vocabulary

vote – This is when you say which option you choose.

campaign – To take part in a series of activities meant to produce a particular result.

election – This is a process of voting to choose someone as leader.

suffrage – This is the right of people to vote for a government or leader.

act – This is a law passed by the government.

democratic – This is where everyone should be involved in making important decisions.

assault – This is where a person is hurt by another.

What should I already know?

In the past there were lots of mills and factories in Oldham.

In the past there were more fields and fewer houses.



Visit the Annie Kenney statue in Oldham town centre and take a selfie with her.

Brilliant Books

Amelia Bedilia's First Vote – Herman Parish

The Election – Eleanor Levenson and Markek Jagucki



Useful Websites

[Annie Kenney \(spartacus-educational.com\)](http://spartacus-educational.com)

[Seven women who stood up to be counted - BBC Bitesize](#)

[Annie Kenney - The Overlooked Suffragette | History Blog UK \(theministryofhistory.co.uk\)](http://theministryofhistory.co.uk)

[What is a general election? - CBBC Newsround](#)

Timeline of Events

1905

Annie Kenney and Christabel Pankhurst disrupted a meeting, were arrested.

1918

All men over the age of 21 were now able to vote in a general election. Married women over the age of 30 could vote too as long as they or their husbands owned or rented property.

1953

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1879

Annie Kenney was born in Springhead, Oldham.

Before 1918, women weren't allowed to vote at all.

1928

The voting age for men and women was the same.

2018

Annie Kenney's statue was unveiled outside the town hall in Oldham.

Annie Kenney was born in 1879 in Springhead, Oldham.

She was one of twelve children.

Annie worked in a cotton mill from the age of 10.



Who was Annie Kenney?

She loved reading books.

What was her childhood like?

By the age of 13, she worked in the mill full-time. It was a dangerous place for children to work. She lost her finger whilst working there.

In December 2018, her statue was unveiled outside Oldham Town Hall.



Annie Kenney

She died in 1953 knowing that the suffragettes had achieved votes for women.

After hearing Christabel Pankhurst speak about how women should have the right to vote, she became involved in a campaign for women's suffrage.

Why is she important?

What did she do?

In 1905, Annie Kenney and Christabel Pankhurst disrupted a meeting to campaign for women to have the right to vote. They were arrested.

Annie Kenney was a key figure leading the suffragette campaign for all women to be able to vote like men.

