

Key vocabulary

Word	definition
Equality	Treating everyone the same and giving them the same opportunities.
Protest	An action taken to show people disagree with something.
Suffragette	A woman who campaigned for women's right to vote in the early 20th century.
Vote	Making a choice in an election to decide who will hold a position, like a leader or a member of parliament.

Key learning

Emily Davison was a significant figure in a group called the suffragettes. Suffragettes wanted women to be allowed to vote at a time when the law said only men could do so. Suffragettes like Emily Davison believed that protest had to be direct – even if that meant breaking the law. Emily Davison was arrested several times and also went on hunger strike in prison, as another form of protest. On 4 June 1913, she ran out in front of the King's horse at a famous horse race called the Epsom Derby and was sadly killed. It took another 15 years before women had the same voting rights as men in Britain.



Umbrella question



What influence did Emily Davison have on equality for women?



Hinge questions

Who was Emily Davison, and what is she known for?

What was Emily Davison trying to achieve in her lifetime?

How did Emily Davison help women get the right to vote?

Why do we remember Emily Davison today?

Can you think of a way people's lives changed because of Emily Davison's actions?