

Women's History Month

March is Women's History Month. Read about four important women. Then answer the questions.

EDITH WHARTON (1862-1937)

Edith Wharton was born in New York City. She wrote novels and short stories. She published more than 30 books. In 1921, Wharton became the first woman to win a Pulitzer Prize.



GERALDINE FERRARO (1935-2011)

Born in Newburgh, New York, Geraldine Ferraro was an American politician. In 1984, she became the first woman to be nominated for United States Vice President by a major political party.



NADIA COMANECI (1961-)

Nadia Comaneci is a Romanian gymnast. In 1976, she became the first gymnast ever to receive a perfect score in an Olympic gymnastics competition.



INDIRA GANDHI (1917-1984)

Indira Gandhi was born in Allahabad, India. She was the first woman to become Prime Minister of India. She served from 1966 to 1977 and then again from 1980 until her death in 1984.



1. Write one fact about Geraldine Ferraro.

2. Which one of these women was the first woman Prime Minister of her country?

3. How many of these women are from the United States?

4. Which one of these women was the first woman to win a Pulitzer Prize?

5. Which of these women would you like to know more about, and why? What questions do you have about her? Answer on the back of this page.