



BRAIN WARM-UP

GENDER: the combination of how a person internally feels (called gender identity) along the gender spectrum and/or the gender a person publicly expresses (called gender expression).¹

EQUALITY: the state of being equal, especially in status, rights, and opportunities.²

Gender equality ensures a healthy society by reducing poverty and promoting the health, education, protection and well-being for all.	As of October 2019, only 29% of elected members of parliament were female. ³ Colour 29% of the circle.
What are some ways you think women are underrepresented (in our country or others)?	
Men first voted in a federal election in Canada in 1867, women first voted in 1918. ⁴	Women continue to be underrepresented at all levels of political leadership.
How many years were men voting before women were allowed to?	Name 2 female politicians:

https://www23.statcan.gc.ca/imdb/p3Var.pl?Function=DEC&ld=410445.

¹ Gender of person. (2019). Statistics Canada. Retrieved from

² Equality: Definition of Equality by Oxford Dictionary on Lexico.com also meaning of Equality. (n.d.). Retrieved from https://www.lexico.com/definition/equality

³ Loprespub. (2020, January 23). Women in the Parliament of Canada. Retrieved from https://hillnotes.ca/2020/01/23/women-in-the-parliament-of-canada/

⁴ A Brief History of Federal Voting Rights in Canada. (n.d.). Retrieved from https://electionsanddemocracy.ca/voting-rights-through-time-0/brief-history-federal-voting-rights-canada