

# Influence of women on governing the country

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# PREHISTORY OF OUR PROJECT

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*Recently, there was a conflict between me and my friends. We argued whose direction brought more benefits to the country. My friend argued with us that a woman could not be a worthy politician. Therefore, we decided to find more information about women direction.*

## WHY THESE THEME WAS CHOSEN BY US?

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*First of all, we think that these theme is interesting. Also, this theme is current because nowadays despite gender equality, women have problems with political advancement.*

## OBJECT

*British queens, Russian empresses and the influence on their countries.*

## AIM

*To know more about British queens and Russian empresses and analyze their impact.*

## HYPOTHESIS

*I believe that woman can be a good politician*



# OUR TASKS WERE

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- Find, learn and analyze the information
  - Make a poll and statistics
  - Analyze the poll's results



# OUR MAIN METHODS

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- Descriptive method
  - Collection of the material
- Systematization of the material
  - Study and analysis
  - Making of conclusion



## ACTUALITY OF THIS THEME

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*Nowadays, the problem of feminism has once again become relevant. This is not surprising, that the conflict between feminist women and conservative men is evident to this day. There is a popular belief that educated and sophisticated women from good families rarely find themselves in politics. But history knows many cases when ladies challenged traditional rules and ways of behavior, while changing the course of history forever.*



# ACCORDING TO HISTORY

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*The shortest time of reign was owned by Lady Jane Grey. It was only 9 days.*

*The longest time of reign was owned by Elizabeth II. She is reigning for 67 years.*

*In the medieval Europe women couldn't be a monarch.*

# Elizabeth I (1558-1603)

«I know I have the body of a weak and feeble woman, but I have the heart and stomach of a king, and of a king of England too»

- Due to her, England's fleet became very powerful
- She was interested in arts, so it helped English art's development. Also, she took parts in some amateur performances.
- Elizabeth was the only woman with whom Ivan the Terrible corresponded. Moreover, Elizabeth was counting on a marriage with him to spread British influence to the Urals.
- She was the last of the Tudors.



# Interesting facts about Elizabeth I

- She believed in astrology.
- She was very fashion woman
- She was the only unmarried queen
- Her language was foul
- Her wardrobe took several rooms in the palace
- She had more than two thousand couples of gloves
- Her chances to be queen were really scanty



Elizabeth I in coronation robes



# Victoria (1837-1901)

«Matter is not what people think about me,  
matter is what I think about them»

- **Victorian era is the time of the greatest England's prosperity.**
- **The last of the Hanover dynasty.**
- **She tried to influence on politics despite UK was constitutional monarchy.**
- **Monarchy began to play more symbolic, than politic role.**
- **While she was on the throne, England became the owner of half the world.**



# Interesting facts about Victoria

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- There were 5 attempts on her
- Since 1832 till her death she had been keeping a detailed diary. During this time, accumulated 122 volumes.
- When her husband died, she had been wearing the willow for rest part of life
- Because of her connections with the royal families of Europe, Victoria was nicknamed “the grandmother of Europe”
- At the moment of her death in 1901, she was the longest-terming monarch on the planet.



Princess Victoria aged Four

# Elizabeth II (1952)

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«True patriotism doesn't exclude understanding the other one»

- She successfully maintain authority of British monarchy.
- She is a head of the Anglican church and the supreme commander of the armed forces of Great Britain.
- Despite the British parliament lost any role in Canadian deals, Elizabeth still remain Canadian queen.
- In February 1945, Elizabeth joined the women's self-defense detachments, where she received training as a driver. She was driver of the ambulance and the truck.



# Interesting facts about Elizabeth II

- She was a soldier.
- She doesn't have a passport.
- On the hunt she killed pheasant by her walking stick.
- In the house, where queen was born, is a Chinese restaurant now.
- During the years of the reign of Elizabeth II, 30 dogs of the Pembroke Welsh Corgi breed lived in Buckingham Palace.
- Her royal marriage is the longest in the World History.



Princess Elizabeth in April 1945

# Catherine II 'the Great' (1762-1796)

«Those who didn't study in their youth are bored in their old age»

- The period of her reign is a prosperity of political and military power of Russia
- She increased the territory of Russia, moreover, she increased treasury income 4 times.  
She was an art supporter and writer.
- During the reign of Catherine, the first state-owned banks and savings banks appeared.



# Interesting facts about Catherine II

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- The Empress smoked a lot all her life, preferring expensive cigars.
- The Empress wrote in Russian with a huge number of mistakes.
- She was indifferent to fashion, but not to a man, so she changed about twenty favorites
- But despite the fact above, she did not allow her favorites to rule the country.



# Elizabeth Petrovna (1741-1762)

«Swear, I'll die for you, so kiss a cross for me, but don't shed blood in vain»

- During her reign, the lands of Siberia were examined and settled.
- She improved financial position of Russia
- Elizabeth didn't used death penalty, so in Russia it wasn't used for hundreds years
- Russia won the Seven Years war
- Under Elizabeth, landowners women began to play a more important role in managing theirs estates.
- Elizabeth's time was first step to enlightened absolutism politics.



# Interesting facts about Elizabeth Petrovna

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- Elizabeth loved dancing and luxury.
- She was extremely superstitious.
- She had a special passion for snuffboxes. Her decree opened the first porcelain factory, which was engaged in the production of snuffboxes.
- She was very flirty and beautiful.
- Celebrations for the coronation stretched out for more than 2 months.
- According to legend, in 1742, the secret wedding of Elizabeth I and Alexey Razumovsky was held in Perovskaya Church.





# OUR WORK

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*We asked 30 people*

*«Can woman be a politician?».*

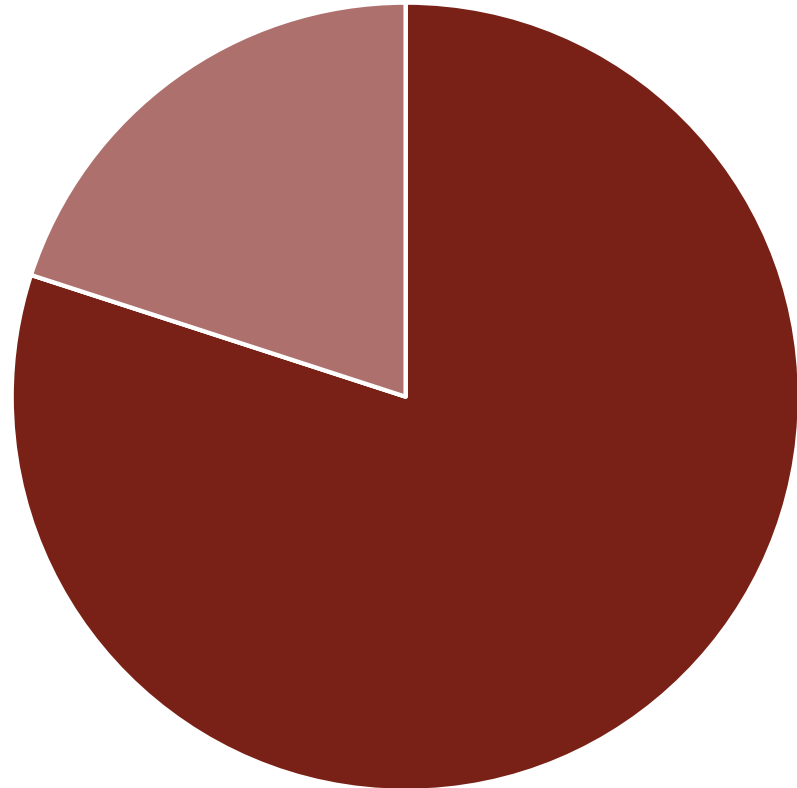
*Among them were: 5 teachers, 20  
classmates and 5 other people*

*After that, we made statistics for every  
group and one for all.*



# TEACHERS

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■ Agree

■ Against

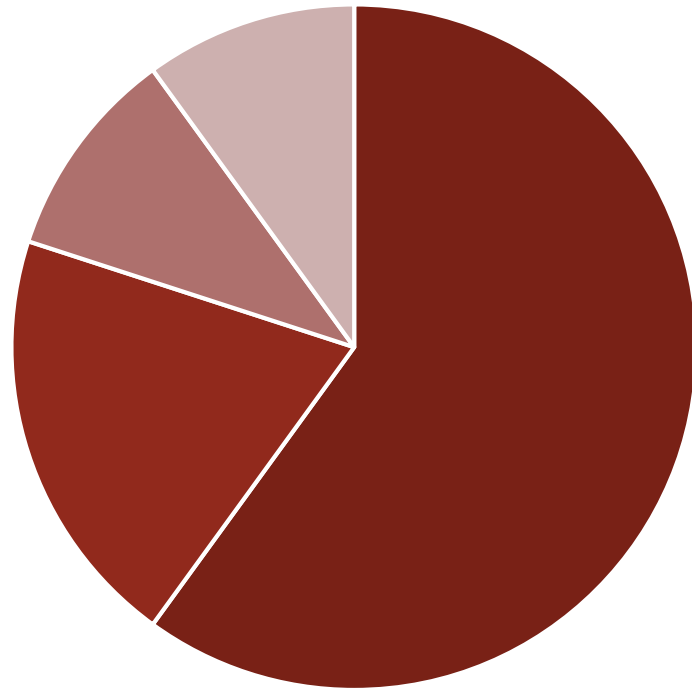
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The opinion of our history teacher: "To be or not To be a worthy politician doesn't depend on gender, but on personality and personal qualities."

# CLASSMATES

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■ Agree

■ Against

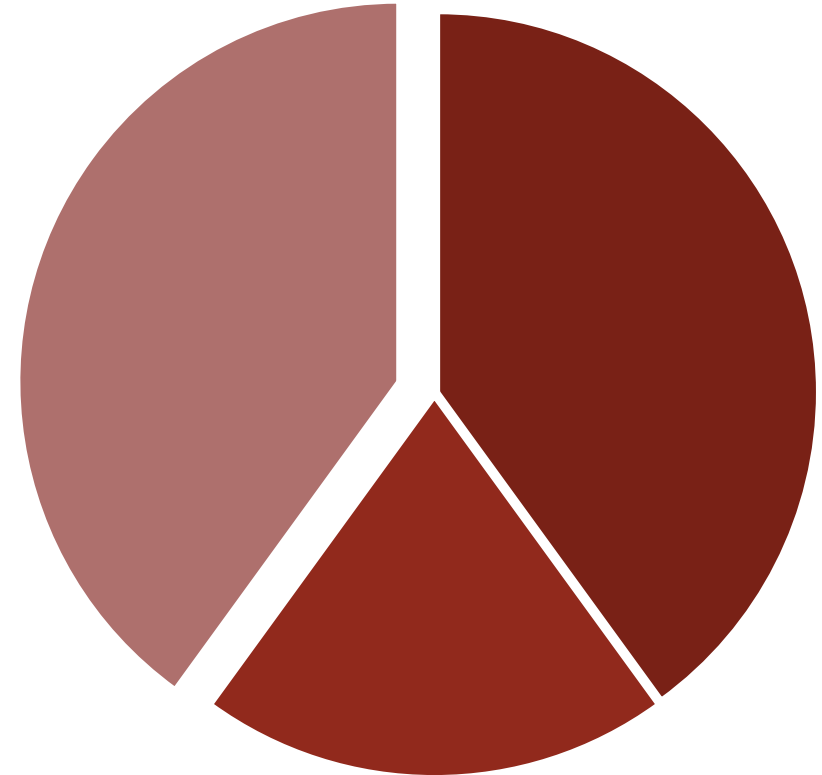
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My classmate convinced that woman can't rule a country because early or lately woman will become pregnant, so she won't be able to handle all this politician stuff for a while. Politician mustn't look aside from political stuff.

# OTHER PEOPLE

My mom knows what does mean to be a leader. She thinks that is huge responsibility. Only responsible person with smart helpers can be a great politician.



■ Agree

■ Against

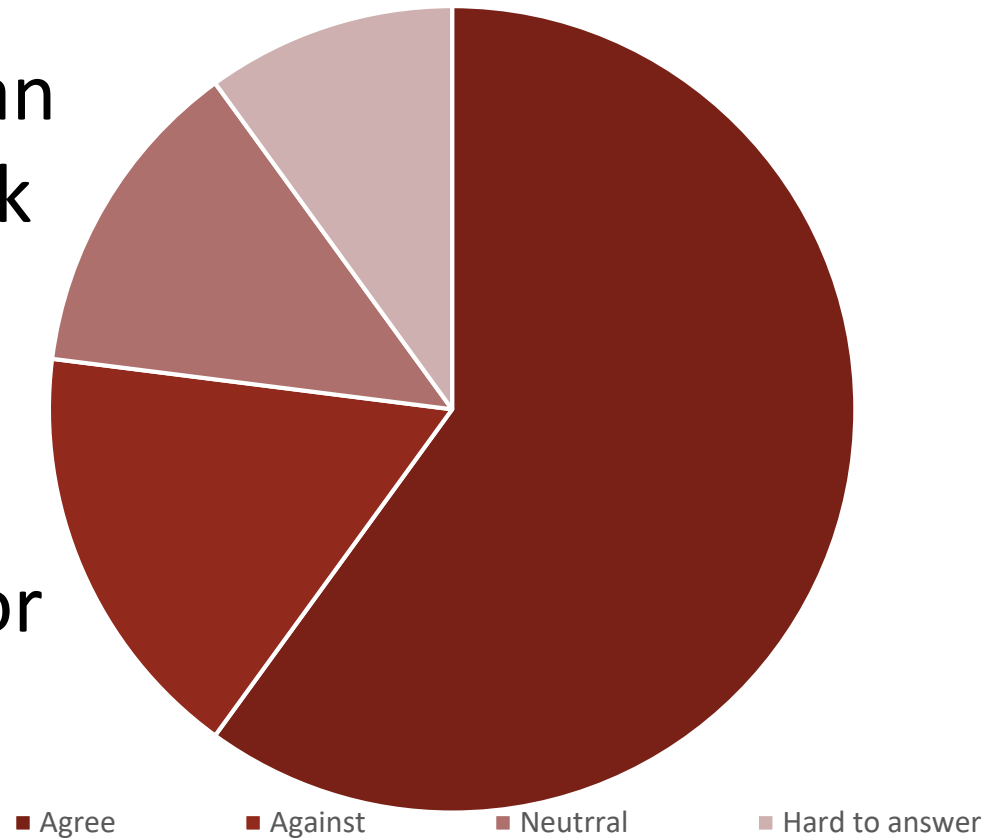
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# STATISTICS

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According to our survey, we can conclude: most of people think that both a woman and a man can be both a bad and a good politician; another part think that the woman is too weak for such hard work.



# OUR OPINION

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To be a politician is a hard work. Human is able to handle this work who must have clearly mind, diplomatic and leaders skills.

Managing country alone is impossible, even the greatest politician can't handle whole country without literate helpers.

Also, good politician must care about country's population.

We think it doesn't matter your gender, your mind matters.



**Thanks!** THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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