



Little People, Big Dreams: Emmeline Pankhurst

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Book Description

Elementary | Biography

This picture book from the bestselling series “Little People, Big Dreams,” chronicles the life of British women’s voting rights activist Emmeline Pankhurst. It includes charming illustrations, a biographical timeline, and historical photographs from Pankhurst’s life.

Discussion Questions

- What inspired Emmeline Pankhurst to fight for women’s voting rights? Who or what inspires you?
- How did Emmeline Pankhurst show others that women were capable of doing what men can do?
- What similarities do you see between Emmeline Pankhurst and Emmeline Wells?
- How did both Emmelines show perseverance and dedication to their belief?

Utah Connection

The Brits were not the only ones to have a famous Emmeline. Utah had its own Emmeline in Emmeline B. Wells. She was Utah’s leading suffragist, and she lobbied for over 30 years for Utah interests in Washington, D.C., meeting with legislators and four U.S. Presidents. Emmeline was a frequent speaker at national and international suffrage conventions and traveled the Utah Territory as president of its suffrage

association. For nearly 40 years, she edited the *Woman’s Exponent*, a newspaper that she used to voice her support for suffrage and other opportunities for women. She also maintained lifelong friendships with national suffrage leaders like Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton.



Emmeline B. Wells sitting at her desk. Courtesy of Utah State Historical Society.