



Finish the Fight: the Brave & Revolutionary Women Who Fought for the Right to Vote

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Book Description

Upper Elementary & Junior High
history & biography

The bright and colorful illustrations in "Finish the Fight" introduce young readers to the untold stories of Black, Asian, Native American, and Latinx leaders of the national suffrage movement. The book includes historical information on 12 suffrage leaders from diverse backgrounds: Frances Ellen Watkins Harper, Josephine St. Pierre Ruffin, Elizabeth Piper Ensley, Mary Church Terrell, Angelina Weld Grimke, Mary Burrill, Mabel Ping-Hua, Ida Wells Barnett, Jovita Idar, Juno Frankie Pierce, Susette La Flesche Tibbles, and Zitkala-Sa.

Discussion Questions/Activities

- Why were some groups of people living in the United States denied access to voting?
- What different tactics did the women in this book use to advocate for change in voting laws? Besides voting rights, what issues were important to these women?
- Choose one woman from the book and write a letter to her explaining how you feel about what she accomplished in her life.

Utah Connection



Illustration by Brooke Smart

Elizabeth Taylor was an African American suffragist, community organizer, and journalist who lived in Salt Lake City. She worked with the Republican Party in Utah, helped her husband run *The Plain Dealer*--a local Black newspaper--and organized The Western Federation of Colored Women in 1904.

Zitkala-Sa, who is highlighted in this book, lived in Utah from 1902-1916 on the Uintah-Ouray Federal Reservation. She worked as an advocate for native voting rights for her entire adult life.



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