

FEMINISM

A feminist is a man or woman who already knows for a fact that men and women are equals, and who want society to wake to that fact, so the world can stop operating at half strength; so that half the brains, half the inspiration, half the joy and beauty, half the human resources in the world will no longer be wasted.

Mario Thomas

I do not know exactly what a feminist is, I know I have been labeled one whenever I express opinions which differentiate me from a doormat.

Charlotte Perkins Gilman

Women are the experts on our lives. We all have gifts to share and can learn from each other- even (or especially) those with whom we disagree. I identify myself as a feminist with pride, because I totally support women in our work towards equality and full participation in every sphere. I look around me at the diversity, strength, and beauty of women and know that we are of infinite value, whatever we choose to do in our lives.

Karen Newmoon

We celebrate the diversity among women and are committed to offering information about issues and options in a balanced manner so that all women, regardless of their point of view, are able to trust the Association is one that supports women.

Antigonish Women's Association

Yes, I am a feminist, but I am logical one. I think these issues need a lot thought.

Carol Miller

Nelson & District Women's Centre Volunteer Training

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A person who has a clear understanding of classism, racism, racialism, ageism, homophobia, heterosexism, capitalism, imperialism- that to me would be a person who really is a feminist. If a person does not understand those things, then they are just a liberal sprouting nonsense. I definitely see myself as a feminist and I see it as one of the major struggles globally because the war against women is all over the world, in every state. I think every woman should be a feminist.

Faith Nolan

"Feminism is a verb, not only an adjective! Allow my analogy: I declare, wholeheartedly that I am a pirate! I am a pirate because I was born a pirate. I have read all there is to read on being a pirate; their role in history, pirate literature, pirate survival courses, ect.. I know through personal reflection and social analysis that deep within myself, I am definitely a pirate. But, the truth is, 'if I am not riding the high seas, I am not a pirate!!!"

That is most important thing in feminism to me! Action! Feminism is supporting, being a part of, the struggle against an ambivalent, oppressive world. Attempting to create full opportunities for all people to see and achieve their utmost potential in creating a life that they want to, and should be able to, be proud of!"

Someone from the University of Manitoba Womyn's Centre

We believe we are a feminist association because we fight for the rights of women in society and we work in a cooperative way. All domestic workers are welcome on the association, whether or not they describe themselves as feminist, as long as the work with others in a respectful and non-hierarchical way. We are also committed in our principles to oppose discrimination or racism of any kind.

West Coast Domestic Workers Association