

The Suffragettes

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Verse 1

Ever lived with a fire inside you?
Can't sit still when you have a dream to,
Change the world, right a wrong that brings you down.
Long ago was a group of women,
Really cared, really fought, not giving,
In to the men who would not accept they're the same.

Chorus

They were the suffragettes,
The women we must not forget,
They sacrificed it all,
They put their lives right on the line.
It was worth fighting for,
Yes: even when they broke the law,
A hundred years ago they said,
That women must be heard.

Verse 2

They had argued for votes for women,
Men in charge simply wouldn't listen,
So they knew they would have to change their tack.
Like Mandela did decades later,
They believed that their cause was greater,
Than their liberty even maybe their lives.

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Bridge

Even though they won it wasn't over,
Over thirties only got the vote,
Ten more years to get a gender balance,
Have we done today what they might hope?

Chorus

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