EXPLAINING THE RISE OF MOVEMENTS FOR GENDER EQUALITY

The emergence of a social movement is always a puzzle for historians to explain. While a form of inequality or injustice may have a very long history and individuals may resist oppression, it is at specific moments in time that organized social movements for change occur.

WRITE FOR ABOUT FIVE MINUTES. USE BULLET POINTS TO INCLUDE AS MANY IDEAS AS YOU CAN.

Why do social movements for women’s and gender equality/empowerment emerge (as the first wave of the American women’s rights movement did in 1848 or the second wave did in the mid 1960s)? What are some of the social/historical (and individual) experiences/factors that motivate people to form and join women’s rights/gender equality movements?