

Do the preparation task first. Then read the article about International Women's Day and do the exercises to check your understanding.

### Preparation: matching

Match the vocabulary with the correct definition and write a–j next to the numbers 1–10.

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|---------|--------------------|----|---|
| 1.....  | an achievement     | a. | to increase knowledge and understanding                 |
| 2.....  | a protest          | b. | a person's identity as male or female                   |
| 3.....  | global             | c. | a public event to show disagreement with something      |
| 4.....  | an NGO             | d. | something positive that you work hard to do             |
| 5.....  | a citizen          | e. | a subject or problem that people are discussing         |
| 6.....  | to raise awareness | f. | a non-governmental organisation (similar to a charity)  |
| 7.....  | an issue           | g. | a series of actions to achieve a particular goal        |
| 8.....  | to launch          | h. | a person who lives in and belongs to a particular place |
| 9.....  | a campaign         | i. | involving the whole world                               |
| 10..... | gender             | j. | to introduce something new                              |

### 1. Check your understanding: true or false

Circle *True* or *False* for these sentences.

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|----|---|-------------|--------------|
| 1. | International Women's Day takes place every year on March 9.                                | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 2. | International Women's Day is only celebrated in a few countries.                            | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 3. | International Women's Day started over a hundred years ago.                                 | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 4. | All women around the world can have a holiday on March 8.                                   | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 5. | The idea of International Women's Day is to raise awareness about issues that affect women. | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 6. | Less than a third of the top jobs in the UK are occupied by women.                          | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 7. | Emma Watson's campaign is called SheForHer.   | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |
| 8. | The HeForShe campaign only involves women and men aren't allowed to take part.              | <i>True</i> | <i>False</i> |

## 2. Check your vocabulary: gap fill

Complete the sentences with a word from the box.

gender	launch	global	protest
achievement	campaign	raising awareness	issue

1. It was a real \_\_\_\_\_ to become the first female astronaut.
2. When a lot of people disagree with something they can organise a \_\_\_\_\_ in a public space, to make their voices heard.
3. A \_\_\_\_\_ event involves lots of countries around the world.
4. Emma Watson's HeForShe campaign is \_\_\_\_\_ about gender equality.
5. When you want to tell a lot of people about a new project you \_\_\_\_\_ it by talking to the press.
6. A \_\_\_\_\_ is a series of actions to reach a goal.
7. A person's \_\_\_\_\_ is their identity as male or female.
8. A problem or subject can also be called an \_\_\_\_\_.

### Discussion

What do you think about International Women's Day?

### Vocabulary Box

Write any new words you have learnt in this lesson.