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International Women's Day



International Women's Day is a special day celebrated all over the world. It happens every year on March 8. The purpose of this day is to celebrate the amazing achievements of women and to remind everyone that girls and women should have the same rights and opportunities as boys and men.

The idea for an International Women's Day first came up more than 100 years ago. Back then, many women didn't have the right to vote or to have the same jobs as men. They wanted to change this, so they started to have marches and meetings. One of these was the first International Women's Day, which was celebrated in several countries in Europe in 1911.

Over the years, International Women's Day has become a day when people not only celebrate the great things women have done but also talk about the things that still need to change. In some places, there are still rules that make it harder for girls and women to go to school, to work, or to make decisions about their own lives.

So how do people celebrate International Women's Day? In many different ways! Some schools might have lessons about famous women who made a big difference in the world, like scientists, writers, or leaders. Students might also learn about the history of women's rights.

There are also many events that take place. These can include marches or rallies, where people gather to show their support for women's rights. Other events might be concerts, art exhibitions, or public speeches. Some people wear purple on this day, as it is a color that represents women.

And remember, International Women's Day is not just about celebrating women in history. It's also about celebrating the women in our lives today - mothers, sisters, teachers, friends - who make a difference every day.

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Reading Comprehension Questions



1. When is International Women's Day celebrated?
2. What is the purpose of International Women's Day?
3. When was the first International Women's Day celebrated?
4. How might schools celebrate International Women's Day?
5. Why do some people wear purple on International Women's Day?