



A Vindication of the Rights of Woman	<p>A Vindication of the Rights of Woman By Mary Wollstonecraft (1759-1797)</p> <p>Wollstonecraft (1759-1797) is best known for <i>A Vindication of the Rights of Woman</i> in which she argued that women are not naturally inferior to men, but only appeared to be because they lacked education. She suggested that both men and women should be treated as rational beings and imagined a social order founded on reason.</p> <p>Today, Wollstonecraft is considered a foundational thinker in feminist philosophy. Her early advocacy of women’s equality and her attacks on conventional femininity and the degradation of women presaged the later emergence of the feminist political movement. Feminist scholars and activists have cited both her philosophical ideas and personal struggles as important influences in their work.</p> <p>This is one of the <i>12 Books That Changed the World</i> by Melvyn Bragg. (Summary from Wikipedia/Alex Foster)</p> <p>Read by many wonderful LibriVox volunteers. Total running time: 09:46:16</p> <p>This recording is in the public domain and may be reproduced, distributed, or modified without permission. For more information or to volunteer, visit librivox.org.</p> <p>Cover picture by <i>James Heath</i>, engraved from the painting by <i>John Opie</i> (c. 1797). Copyright expired in US, Canada, EU and all countries with author’s life +70 yrs laws. Cover design by Janette Brown. This design is in the public domain.</p>	A Vindication of the Rights of Woman Mary Wollstonecraft
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