

Chapter 17: The Age of Enlightenment-  
Eighteenth Century Thought  
Section 6: Women in the Thought and  
Practice of the Enlightenment

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## ■ Philosophes

- Not strong feminists
- Held
  - Traditional views toward women





- Montesquieu

- Women

- Not naturally inferior to men
- Should have a wider role in society

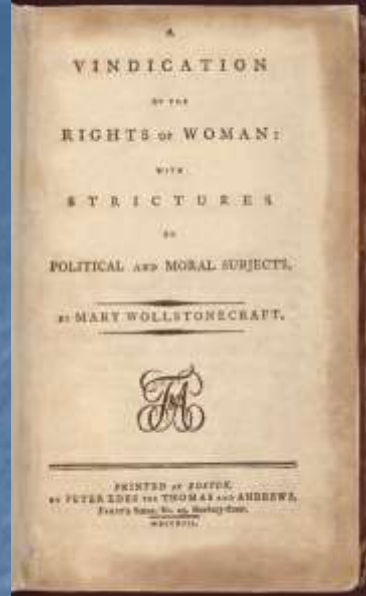


MONTESQUIEU.

- Rousseau
  - Men and women
    - Should occupy separate spheres







- Mary Wollstonecraft
  - 1792
  - *Vindication of the Rights of Woman*
    - Promoted for women
      - Education
      - Freedom



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