



The history of hockey

Handout 3.2

Questions

Students A: The Early Years

- Examine the early photos of women and hockey, and speculate what women's hockey may have been like in the early years.
- List some characteristics of women's hockey based on the article(s) you read.
- Could you detect any bias against women playing hockey? Explain with evidence.
- What might have been the attitudes of men to women's hockey in those early years? Evidence? Was there any evidence of men's support for the women? Discuss.
- How do the two Ottawa newspaper accounts of the game on February 28, 1908 differ?

Students B: Individual women who made a difference

- What feat did Albertine Lapensee accomplish in 1917?
- Describe Abby Hoffman's experience.
- What was the historical significance of the 'Blainey Ruling'?
- What arguments were offered against the ruling? What do you think?
- What did Manon Rheume do that was historically significant?

Students C: The Modern Era

- Why was 1990 a 'benchmark' year for women's hockey?
- What evidence is there that indicated that women finally 'arrived' at the top level of hockey competition?
- Women's hockey was sometimes referred to as more in the spirit of the Olympics. Do you agree with this statement? Discuss.