

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

READING TASK

1. READ

Greta Thunberg is sometimes referred to as the Joan of Arc of Climate Change because this 16-year-old Swedish environmental activist fights against climate change with such urgency and she sets the necessity to save the planet that we call home.

Greta is born on 3 January 2003 in Stockholm, Sweden.

Her mom is Malena Ernman, an opera singer and her father is the actor Svante Thunberg. Her grandfather is the actor and director Olof Thunberg.

When she is 8 years old, she knows about climate change but she cannot understand why so little is being done about it. At age 15, she spends her school days outside the Swedish Parliament to call their attention on global warming. She posts her protests on social media and they become viral; they inspire thousands of teenagers.

She is vegan and she gives up flying to lower her carbon footprint.

In May 2019 Penguin, a British publishing house, publishes *No One Is Too Small to Make a Difference*, which is a collection of her speeches.

2. COMPLETE THE TEMPLATE ON THE NEXT PAGE

3. WHY is today the International Women Day?

International Women's Day 2020 campaign theme

- #EachforEqual

An equal world is an enabled world.

Individually, we're all responsible for our own thoughts and actions - all day, every day.

We can actively choose to challenge stereotypes, fight bias, broaden perceptions, improve situations and celebrate women's achievements.

Collectively, each one of us can help create a gender equal world.

Let's all be **#EachforEqual**.

So, let's all get ready to strike the **#EachforEqual** pose - and do everything we can to help forge women's equality worldwide.

<https://www.internationalwomensday.com/2020Theme>

WOMEN TRAILBLAZERS

GRETA



Surname

Nationality

Birth date

Five Facts

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Why is this person
important?

My names by Alicia Partnoy

- adaptation by Prof. Alejandra Nicolini -

I am at the Arm Headquarters, kidnapped. I am wearing my blindfold. The military man asks my name in calm voice

Name?

Alicia Partnoy

Age?

Twenty-one years old.

Alias?

None

The truth is that while doing political work, I rarely use my real name. The day Graciela is arrested, we all change our aliases. Anyway Graciela knows my name, my address, my history. If she speaks under torture, no change of nicknames would save me. But she doesn't speak. She is heavily tortured, but she doesn't speak.

I leave my house for some days and my name is now Rosa. When they come to arrest me, Am I Rosa? Am I Alicia? I don't know, but they want me.

At the Little School, I don't have a last name...the guards call us with numbers.

The day I have my third shower in two months, my hair wet under my blindfold, my hands tied, ... suddenly a guard sings a song about Death.

Since that moment, they call me Death. May be that is why every day, when I wake up, I say to myself that I, Alicia Partnoy, am still alive.



ALICIA MABEL PARTNOY is born in Bahía Blanca in 1955. She is a human right activist, poet, professor and translator. She is arrested in 1977 by the Argentinian Army and is in a concentration camp named The Little School. In 1979 she is forced to leave the country. She moves to USA. In 1985, she tells her story in her book *The Little School. Tales of Disappearance and Survival in Argentina*. She testifies before UN, OAS, Amnesty International and the Argentine-Human Rights Commission.

READ THE TEXT AND THE BIOGRAPHY OF ALICIA PARTWAY.

1. ANSWER THE QUESTIONS:

- a. Who is Alicia Partway?
- b. Where is she from?
- c. When does her story take place?
- d. Why is she arrested?
- e. How old is she in that moment?
- f. Does Graciela speak about her?
- g. Where does the Army take her?
- h. How do the guards call her?
- i. When is she forced to leave the country?
- j. Write a phrase from the text that calls your attention and explain why. For example:
I choose the phrase "....." because...

MAKE A GLOSSARY OF NEW VOCABULARY (ABOUT 15 WORDS) OF ALL THE TEXTS AND WRITE THE MEANING.

EXAMPLE:

*Blindfold: venda