

*Discussion Prompts*

## Votes for Women



Here are questions and statements to discuss with your partner. Use details and inferences from the passage to support your ideas. You may jot down notes on this page to remind you of your discussion.

1. Explain what Twain means by “it’s the widow’s mite that makes no noise but does the best work.”
2. Why does Twain recount the incident in the Hartford Church?
3. What reasons does Twain offer for being a women’s rights supporter?
4. Why does Twain feel that women having the vote could help his town?
5. Evaluate the kinds of evidence Twain provides to support his claim that women should vote.
6. Who provides stronger arguments, Susan B. Anthony or Mark Twain? Give reasons for your choice.