What Were They Thinking?

List some arguments people might give against women’s suffrage.

List some arguments people might give in favor of women’s suffrage.

List some arguments people might give for why voting really won’t give us equality.*

For supplementary materials related to this activity, visit <www.nelrc.org/changeagent/extras> and click on “History of Voting Rights: Drawing, Role-Playing, Debating” by Diana Satin.

* This quote is taken from a speech by Emma Goldman. See <www.nelrc.org/changeagent/extras> for complete text of her speech in which she argues that the voting system doesn’t work and would not allow for fundamental change.