Possible Answers for Lesson One in Suffragette Booklet.

1. Is **Source 1** a primary or secondary source?

*It is a primary source.*

1. What surprises you about ‘Queen Victoria’s’ attitude towards women?

*I was surprised that she was strongly against women’s rights when she herself was a powerful woman.*

1. Describe her attitude with at least 3 references to what she says. (quote to support)

* ***“mad, wicked folly****” show us she thinks women rights is a crazy idea.*
* *“****Lady Amberley (in favour of more rights) ought to get a good whipping. “*** *this shows us that she thinks supporters of womens rights should be beaten up.*
* **“*Women would become the most hateful, heartless and disgusting of human beings were she allowed to unsex herself “*** *This shows us that she believes if women had equal rights to men then they would be terrible and horrific people.*

1. Which sex does Tennyson see as superior? (Refer to the poem at least twice to explain your answer)

*Tennyson sees males as the superior sex. This is obvious when he says* ***“Man with the head and woman with the heart”*** *as he clearly thinks that men are more intelligent and women can only deal with emotions. Also when he says “****Man to command , woman to obey- all else confusion****.” This shows that he believes that men should always be in charge and it was a woman’s duty to do what she is told. He believes that the world will fall apart if this doesn’t happen.*

1. Why should historians be interested in the views of Huxley?

*Historians should be interested in the views of Huxley because he was a biologist from the time and therefore supposedly an expert on the human body. The fact that he also thinks men are superior shows that even educated people had narrow minded and sexist views towards women in Victorian times.*

1. Is **Source 4** a primary or secondary source?

*It is a secondary source*.

1. Explain the reasons why Emmeline Pankhurst think women need the vote?

She thinks they need the vote because it is the first step towards women achieving equal rights. The only way to improve living and working conditions for women is for parliament to pass laws to help them. If women were given the vote , parliament could no longer afford to ignore their needs as they would need their support so are more likely to change laws to help them.