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"Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor" tells about a female inventor in the 1800s. Explain how Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today. Write a well-organized, structured response using specific evidence from the passage to support your answer.

Writer's Checklist

In the 1800s women were expected to just cook and clean. Margaret Knight was different: she was an inventor. Margaret proved to everyone she was creative. Here is how.

At a young age Margaret never really liked playing with toys. She always enjoyed playing with her tools. At the age of twelve Margaret got out of school. So she went to the textile mile and one of the machines malfunctioned and a waker was ingred. Apparently that was a good thing because that gave Margaret an idea she could make a safer loomning device.

After the loomning machion she desided that she should make a device that makes flat bottomed paper bags. That's just what she did. First she sketched it out in her note book. Then she made it out of wood. It worked really well but it was still a prototype and she really wanted a patent. To get a patent you needed a iron prototype so she went to bosten. There she made her iron flat bottomed paper bag device. As Margaret was teaching her device a man named Charles Annan he was working next to her and thought that her device was a good idea. So he made the same thing but faster so he patented it first. Margaret found out then she went to court and took back what was rightfully hers.

That is why Margaret Knight was such a role model for women in the 1800s. She was strong and determined to get her device patented. The biggest thing is she never gave up. So that is why you should never forget Margaret Knight.
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**Writer's Checklist**

Margaret Knight proved many wrong in a time when people thought of women just to run machines and not know how to make them. She held 26 patents and made almost 80 inventions. Among her other inventions are a device to make looms safer, a machine to make flat-bottomed paper bags, a sewing machine reel, and a machine for cutting soles of shoes.

When she was young she didn't like to play with dolls, cook, or sew but, instead she liked to create and build with her tools. Even when she was young she still made sleds, kites, and toys with moving parts. When she was 12 she went to work in a textile mill. Her first invention was sparked when a worker was injured from a shuttle that flew off of a loom. She was inspired by the accident to make a safer model of the machine. Her device would make the loom stop when it were to malfunction. As the text states "Textile mills all over New England adopted her invention."

At the age of 18, Knight moved to Springfield, Massachusetts. There she got a job and worked for the Columbia Paper Bag Company. The company's bags didn't have flat bottoms and instead the bottoms looked like a glued envelope. The text states "People tried for years to create a machine that could fold and paste a flat-bottomed bag." But none of them could. Knight thought she would try to build the machine, so she did. She set up a workshop in her basement and spent hours working on her design. When two years had passed she finally had a working design. She then built a wooden model otherwise known as a prototype. Knight accomplished what nobody had done before and created a machine that made flat bottom paper bags.

Knight amazed everyone with her paper bag machine and was a role model to all children. She was a role model because she took action and did what no other women of the time would've done and accomplished. She went on to make more inventions and was successful on every one of them.
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She was born in 1833 and was unusual because she did not like to play with dolls, cook, or sew like other girls. She liked being creative and making things by sketching them out first in a notebook and then finding materials to build them. She made some early inventions for her family, sleds, kites, and toys with moving parts for her brothers. She also made a foot warmer for her mother before she was even 18!

She only went to school until she was twelve and then after she finished that school she went to work at a textile mill. One day a the mill a loom malfunctioned and a shuttle flew off the loom and seriously injured someone. Knight could not get her mind off of the accident so she thought about ways to make the machine safer. She sketched in her notebook for a long time before she came up with the answer. After she sketched up the idea she started making it, the finished product was a machine that immediately stopped a loom if it malfunctioned. Textile mills all over New England used her invention.

It says that she was a great role model because women were expected to take jobs cooking or sewing, she did not. She was also called female Edison even though she didn’t have as many patents or inventions that he had.

Also she made a paper bag machine that many inventors had been trying to make. Also she made a sewing machine reel, machine for cutting soles of shoes, dress and skirt protector, and finally a window frame and sash. Altogether she had 26 patents.

When she was creating a machine, to get a patent for it you had to have a metal model. Other inventors had used the same machine shop to make their inventions, and a man named Charles Anson saw her design and thought it was a good idea. He quickly copied it and rushed to the patent office. After Margaret Knight finished her model she went to the patent office, but was told that someone else had already patented her invention. She had known that she had the idea first and she was not going to give up so she went to court with all of her documents and records. Finally they gave her the patent for her invention.

Those were not her only inventions, she also created a barbecue pit. A clasp for holding robes and a spinning reel. Also she created several parts that are used in engines. Which shows that women can do the same as what men can and should have the same rights as any gender or race.

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The story "Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor" tells you about a female inventor in the 1800s. In this response I will explain how Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today.

In the story it says, "Margaret Knight lived at a time when people thought women were not supposed to understand machinery." But, in the passage it specifically talks about how Margaret made many helpful inventions that made life way safer and more easy. That made women think, if she can do it so can I. So, women got to do what they wanted to do because people realised that women were the same as men.

My next piece of evidence is that Margaret made a invention that everyone tried and failed. That tells everyone that women can solve problems just as men could. Again that shows how women are just as smart as men are.

Some more evidence in the story is that it talks about a guy named "Charles Arran." He stole Margaret's idea. The story says, "He quickly made his own prototype, rushed to the patent office and patented it." That not only means that he stole all of her hard work, but that also means that he wasn't smart enough to think of it on his own. But Margaret sued him later and got the patent. That means sometimes women are smarter than men.

This is how Margaret Knight helped lead the way for women today. It all shows how women are just like men.
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Margaret Knight influenced women they could do anything if they put their mind to it. Margaret made 80 inventions including 28 patented including a dress and skirt protector, a window frame and sash, a machine for cutting soles of shoes and many more! This influenced women to make great inventions that are like Margaret’s inventions, machines, and devices. Margaret proved that women could make great machines and inventions just like men.

Margaret influenced other women that they don’t have to do anything they don’t want to do. Margaret didn’t sew, cook or play with dolls like the other little girls when she was a child. Margaret would always Sketch in a notebook about invention ideas and she would use her tools and other supplies to create the inventions. So women can see they don’t have to do what they are expected to do. They can do different things just like Margaret Knight.

Margaret showed others that women can be better than men at a lot of different things, and can achieve many, many things. Margaret showed this when she went into court and proved why she should of gotten the patent, and why her invention was better. Margaret won the battle and got the patent for her invention and now her machine is used in paper bag factories. This was because she took time on her machine and put effort and concentration in her invention. So she showed that women are better than men in many different and unique ways.

Margaret showed women that you should take risks once and a while because she took a risk of going to court. She took a risk because if she lost it could have been the end to her inventing career. She also took another risk of her losing because if she lost she would mostly be known for losing in a court battle against a man and so then she wouldn’t be important to defending women’s rights.

Basically Margaret supported and defended women’s rights. Margaret showed to women that they could achieve anything they put their mind to. She influenced women that they could do what they want to do and not what they are expected to do. Margaret showed that they are better and can do better things that men in different, unique ways. Margaret showed that you should take risks like her going to court to show why her invention was better that Charles Annan’s invention.
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"Margaret Knight: paper bag machine inventor" knows that Margaret worked very hard to become a successful inventor. First of all she did something not much women did at the time. Plus she went to work somewhere when she was twelve. Lastly she made the world a better place.

First of all Margaret did something that not all women did at the time. Most women stayed home cooking and sewing. According to the passage it states that "Margaret lived at a time when society made a distinction between men and women's work."

Secondly, she went to work at a factory at a young age. The passage states that "Knight went to school until she was twelve and then went and worked at a textile mill."

Lastly but not least, she made the world a better place. She was the one who invented paper bags that had a flat bottom. The passage even says we use them in stores today!

To wrap it up, "Margaret Knight: Paper bag machine inventor" knows that Margaret worked very hard to become a successful worker. She did something that not much women did. She went to work when she was twelve. Lastly she made the world a better place. That shows that if you work hard you succeed.
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Margaret Knight helped lead the way for women because of all of her inventions that involved machinery. For example, when she was about twelve years old she helped to improve the safety of looms, when women were not known to use machines. Another example is when she created a machine to make flat-bottomed paper bags. She didn't just use the machine she made; she made the machine. When Charles Annan tried to steal her invention she sued him for stealing her idea, and she had all of her documents on how she was going to create the invention and that was enough proof to say that Annan stole her idea. Therefore, Knight lead all women by showing that girls are not just made for cooking, cleaning and sewing. They could do whatever they wanted to do if they put their minds to it.
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"Margaret Knight: Paper Bag inventor" tells about a female inventor in the 1800s. In the story, Margaret Knight’s actions helped lead the way for women today. In the story "Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor" Margaret Knight designed a device to make looms safer because a worker was killed by a loom when it malfunctioned.

Later on in her life, she moved to Springfield, Massachusetts, where she was born. She worked at the Clumber Paper Bag Company for a while, sometimes as a loom tender and then a machine operator. She built a workshop in her basement and attempted to create a machine to fold paper, paste it, and make a flat-bottomed bag that could be used to make paper bags. But her neighbors had tried but were unsuccessful. Everyday she worked on her invention until one day she figured it out so she could make a wooden prototype. But the prototype did not work.

Later, she made the prototype she wanted to patent, but it had only one iron. Knight moved to Boston and, with the help of a machinist, she spent many days working on the prototype. Charles Ann saw the invention and wanted to patent it as well. However, the invention patent application was held up for years. When Knight went to take it to the invention protection office, she was told that Charles Ann had patented it a week earlier. Knight sued Charles Ann and proved that it was her invention by her documents. She took the invention to the Patent Office and the court took Charles Ann’s patent away and gave the patent to Knight. Her invention is still used today in factories throughout the world.

Thomas Edison is one of the greatest inventors of all time. He held over 1,000 patents. One of his best inventions was the light bulb, the phonograph, the motion picture. But Knight is known for one of her best inventions, the paper bag-making machine she invented. She also invented many other things as well, such as machines for cutting out soles for shoes, a clasping machine, a Barbeque spit, a spinning reel, and a numbering machine. One of the newspapers described Knight as a female Edison. Knight had not nearly held as many patents as Edison did, but she had 26 patents. Some people describe her as inventing more than 80 inventions. She also received a patent for several parts used in all kinds of engines like car engines, boat engines, stuff like that. Knight lived when people thought women couldn’t invent or were not supposed to understand machinery and how it worked but that should not matter. Knight proved all of people that doubled how many times what made Margaret Knight so special she also was a great problem solver. Knight was a wonderful model for every woman, not just girls or just boys, both boys and girls everywhere not just in one place everywhere. Knight proved that anybody could do anything and be anything no matter your gender and your race. She taught people that anything is possible. Also that if you put your mind to it you can do anything.

That is how Knight’s actions helped not just women today but people who think they are not worth anything or people who are being doubted by someone who thinks you can’t do something. That is how Margaret Knight’s actions helped lead the way for people. Margaret Knight’s inventions are going to be remembered forever.
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Margaret Knight was a girl who ended up making history. She was born in 1838. She was not your average little girl who played with dolls. She did not do any of the things girls were required to do. She liked to make things.

Margaret went to school until she was twelve years old and went to work at a textile mill. One day someone got a really bad injury. That gave her an idea. She thought of something that would make the machines much safer.

At the age of 18, Margaret moved to Massachusetts. She went there and ended up working at a paper bag company. She got an idea from there. She made a prototype of her invention. It made paper bags with flat bottoms.

People ended up calling her "female edison." They called her that because she made many inventions. Thomas Edison also made many inventions.

Margaret lived at a time when women were not treated the same way as men. Knight showed everyone that women can be just as good as men.
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Many would agree that "Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor" helped lead the way for women's rights today, if you are not one of those people, here are a couple reasons why you should change your mind.

In the 1800, women were not considered builders, designers, or inventors. Often women worked on looms, mended clothes, and cooked for a family; it was traditionally the men that did the inventing. But Margaret helped to show the world that women too can invent, when she not only improved the textile mill loom, but invented a successful Paper-Bag Machine.

Another reason Margaret helped lead the way for women's rights, can be found in paragraph 2. It shows, that little girls in the 1800s most always played with dolls, or cooked, or sewed. Margaret was different, she instead enjoyed sketching blueprints in her notebook, and then making these blueprints a reality. This difference could go on to inspire whole generations, telling them little girls can do other things too, and that they can use there creativity to do great, and revolutionary things.

My final reason Margaret helped women's rights greatly, can be found in paragraph 9. It tells of a newspaper describing her as a 'female Edison', referring to the world-renowned Thomas Edison. Edison was a greatly celebrated inventor, most famous for his invention of the lightbulb, and discoveries in the field of electricity, he was also a man. And while it is certainly true neither man, nor woman is better than the other, it was still a feat in woman's rights history, for a woman, to be compared to a famous inventor, and it was only the first steps for what would become a century of occurrences similar to this, and woman similar to Margaret Knight.

That, my friends, is why 'Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor' is a story about a woman, who's accomplishments became a large stepping-stone on the road to eventual, equal rights for woman. And although I've only listed three, I'm positive you could come up with a thousand more.
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Margaret Knight led the way for women today very well. She created inventions that no man could imagine. Margaret was born in 1836, but as she grew up she was a little bit different from the other little girls. She was a little more liking to using tools to have fun! Knight made tools for her brothers that actually had moving parts! When she was only twelve years old she was working at a textile factory! Knight was very creative, outgoing, and a great role model for children of all ages, even some young adults in my opinion. Once while working in a factory she witnessed a shuttle fly off one of the looms, that gave her a great idea to create a loom that you could stop in case it malfunctioned. Margaret Knight was a great woman.
Margaret Knight was a female inventor in the 1800s. Her actions helped lead the way for women today. I will be sharing as many pieces of evidence I can that supports this fact.

First, when Margaret was only 12 years old she was already working at a textile mill. This supports the fact that she was a leading woman because normally people would start working there at an older age.

Second, one day while she was working there a shuttle flew of a loom. It hit and seriously injured a worker. Knight couldn't stop thinking about the accident. Margaret made a machine to fix this problem. She invented a device that would stop the loom any time it malfunctioned. This is a huge piece of evidence that supports this fact because this invention hadn't ever been created.

Third, paper bags used to not have flat bottoms, instead they were glued together like an envelope. People tried for years to create a machine that could fold and paste a flat-bottom bag. They were unsuccessful. Knight was working at the paper bag company and in her time after working there for a while she decided that she would give it a try. After two whole years of experimenting to create and perfect her design. This was probably the best piece of evidence that supports this fact because scientists had been trying for years to make this invention! Knight did this in only two years and was successful.

Fourth, a patent gives an inventor the right to make, use, and sell an invention. In order to file a patent, Knight needed an iron prototype of her machine. She moved to Boston and, with the help of a machinist, spent her days working on the prototype. Other inventors used the same machine shop to work on their inventions. One of these inventors, Charles Annan, saw her design. He thought it was an excellent idea. He quickly made his own prototype, rushed to the patent office, and patented it. Meanwhile Knight continued perfecting her design. When she felt it was as good as it could get, she took her machine to the patent office. She filled out all the necessary paperwork and gave it to the patent clerk. The clerk told her Charles Annan patented the idea a week earlier. Knight knew Annan had stolen her idea, and she wasn't going to let him get away with it. Knight sued for the patent rights. She kept great records and took all of her documentation with her to court. She proved that she was the inventor of the machine. The courts took the patent away from Annan and gave it to Knight. This is a great piece of evidence to support the fact that Knight was a leading women because she fought for what was hers and never gave up!

Last but not least, Thomas Edison is one of America's greatest inventors. He held over 1,000 patents. Among his inventions are the electric light bulb, the phonograph, and the motion picture camera. Although Knight is best known for her paper bag making machine, she invented many other things as well. One newspaper article described her as a "female Edison." She did not hold nearly as many patents as Edison, but she had 26 of them. Some sources credit her with more than 80 inventions. Among her other inventions are machines for cutting out soles for shoes, a clasp for holding robes, a barbeque spit, a spinning reel, and a numbering machine. She also received patents for several parts that are used in engines. This was a huge piece of evidence that supports the fact that she is a leading women, because if she was compared to Thomas Edison and was even called female Edison then she must be very intelligent and smart.

Now you know five pieces of evidence that supports the fact that Margaret Knight is a leading women!
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- Margaret never gave up even when it was hard she still tried. Without Margaret women could still be taking sewing and cooking classes instead of going to work everyday and making money.
- Margaret is a big inspiration for a lot of women because she didn’t only save the life of people that worked in textile mills, she save life of us women. Margaret is the reason women are doing what they so today and that is amazing!
- When Margaret was in challenges she still gave it her all. That is why she is famous today because she always made it throul.
- She moved to different places to help people and to invent new things. When she went to Boston and to other big places, it was because she loved what she did.
- All of the hard accomplishments Margaret did in life helped women do what they do today.
- Thank you Margaret for letting women to this wonderful journey we have today.
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Margaret Knight’s actions helped lead the way for women today.

The way she led the way was being a female inventor. Which in the 1800’s was not really a thing. When she was twelve she made a loom safer, because an incident happened at a textile mill when the shuttle flew off the loom and hurt a worker really bad. Then textile mills all over New England used it.

At the age of eighteen, she made a paper bag making machine, because the way they made paper bags in the factory she worked in seemed odd to her, but had to fight to get her patent, because a man named Charles Annon stole her design, but she got the patent after showing the court her proof it was her idea, and got her patent.

Then she was named “Female Edison” for eighty inventions and twenty-six patents. While Edison had over one-thousand including the electric lightbulb, the phonograph, and the motion picture camera used for movies and videos, but Knight was most known for her paper bag making machine. She didn’t nearly have enough patents as Thomas Edison. She was the first major female inventor.

She lived in a time when females were meant to sew, and cook, and men where supposed to understand, build, and invent machines. She proved them wrong, she was dedicated to her work, like when she fought for a patent. A good problem solver, like when she made a loom safer after a bad incident. Knight played a big part in inspiring young children today, almost two centuries later. She proved anyone can succeed if you put your mind to it.

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1. **Our life has changed a lot since when Margaret Knight was born.** Back then they didn't think or believe that women could do the men's work. But in the passage Margaret proved them wrong. She proved that anyone can succeed if they just put their mind to it.

2. Margaret was different from the other girls when she was young, they all played with dolls, cooked, and sewed. But the author says that Margaret didn't really like to do that stuff. The thing she did like to do though, was build with her tools. Margaret built toys for her brothers, kites, sleds, and even a foot warmer for her mother. The paragraph states that Margaret became inspired to build something one day when she was in a textile mill. She was only 12 years old at the time. A shuttle flew off one of the looms one day. It hit and seriously injured a worker. She made sketches in her notebook until she found a solution to make looms safer.

3. At age 18 Margaret Knight moved to Springfield, Massachusetts to work at the Columbia Paper Bag Company. In paragraph 4 it says that for years people have been trying to create a machine that could fold and paste a flat bottomed bag. But for years they were unsuccessful. After Margaret had been working at the company for only a short period of time, she decided to give it a try. When she thought she had a working design Margaret built a wooden prototype. It took 2 years to create and perfect her design.

4. In the paragraph the author says a patent gives an inventor the right to make, use, and sell their invention. In order to file for a patent Knight needed and iron prototype of her machine, so she moved to Boston where a machinist helped her work on the prototype. Other inventors used the same machine shop. One the inventors used Margaret's design. He thought it was an excellent idea, so he quickly made his prototype, rush to the patent office, and patented it. When Margaret found out, she sued him. They went to court and Margaret brought all her sketches of the machine with her. She proved that she was the inventor of the machine. The courts took the patent away from the inventor that stole her idea, Charles Annan, and gave it to Margaret.

5. People called Margaret female Edison, after the famous inventor, Thomas Edison. Thomas Edison held over 1,000 patents although Margaret didn't have as many patents as he did, she is still one of the inventors we admire. She is a role model for children and women everywhere, because she never gave up and proved the world wrong.
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We are going to talk about Margaret Knight, Paper Bag Machine inventor. A female inventor.

Knight was born in 1838. She built things in stead of playing with dolls, cooking or sewing. She made a foot warmer for her mother and sleds. Knight drew in her notebook when she thought of something to build. When Knight was twelve she started working at a textile mill. She built a safe machine for the textile mills because of an accident. Knight moved to Springfield, Massachusetts when she was 18. She worked at a Paper Bag Company. After that she had a building area in her basement and built a machine to make flat-bottom bags.
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In the story named “Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor” it states many facts about her life and her accomplishments. She as one of the people that earned the women's rights we have to this day, if she wouldn't of done that, things wouldn't of turned out as they did now a days.

In the story “Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor” it states that “She didn't like to play with dolls, cook, or sew like many other little girls. She liked making things with her tools”. That sort of set the record straight for the story. It sort of told you that she is not afraid of standing up for herself and doing what she wants to do. It also states in the text that “Knight went to school at age twelve and went to work at a textile mill” which I think sort of supports the idea that she is not afraid to do what she wants to do. In the story it also says that Margaret lived at a time where people thought women weren't supposed to understand machinery and how it worked but she completely proved them wrong with her moving actions she made for the women's rights. Margaret really fights for what she wants to do in her life and nothing can get in her way or stop her from changing or delaying her long wished for right changing dreams.

As it hints in the story Margaret isn't like most girls she doesn't like dolls or cooking or even sewing. In the story it says that she worked at the Columbia Paper Bag Company and that there was a problem. They're machines could only glue the bottoms of the paper bags in a envelope form or shape and they wanted their machine to glue the bottoms totally flat. So not caring what anyone else was saying she made a solution and patented the grand machine. Margaret I think really set the record for women's rights today and did a great job following her dreams unlike everyone else who was scared to follow their dreams because of who they are.

Margaret is a very straightforward woman and we thank her for that to this day. Without her rightful move we might not be in the world we have today.

She fights for what she wants. I think that Margaret is a great woman for all of her qualities. Her actions changed the world as it states and hints in the story. Overall what Margaret did was great. And as some people say to this day Female Edison was a nice part of women's history and I totally agree.
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Margaret Knight’s actions helped lead the way for women proving that not only boys can do all of the hard work.

Women were expected to take jobs like cooking or sewing, but Margaret was not interested in any of that stuff she would sketch things that she wanted to make then Margaret found the objects she needed to make her invention.

When she was only twelve she invented a device that would shut down the loom if anything malfunctioned. She made this invention because of a past accident when one of the shuttles flew off of the loom. She wanted to improve it.

Each night after work Margaret spent hours working on her new invention that would make flat bottom paper bags. After she had finished, Knight needed an iron prototype so she brought her invention to Boston. Many other inventors worked at the same machine shop as Knight. A man named Charles Annan was one of them he thought her invention was wonderful and made his own prototype. When he was finished he went straight to the patent office.

About a week later Margaret went to the patent office but the clerk said it had already been patented. Margaret did not give up there she went to court and the patent was hers.

This proves that Margaret Knight does not give up if something does not go her way she makes it go her way because she knows what is right.
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Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today. Many people thought that women were not supposed to understand machinery, but she made lots of machines. One of her most famous ones the paper bag-making machine. She proved many people wrong. She thought women could also do important things. She inspired many women that it is not all about the men.
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Writer’s Checklist

Margaret Knight was a hardworker and she focused all her time into making inventions. She wasn’t like other girls she didn’t like to play with dolls, cook, or even sew. Margaret liked to make things with her tools. When she thought of something to create she got her notebook and started sketching out the idea and found the supplies to make it.

When Margaret was working one day a shuttle flew of a loom and seriously injured a worker. She could not stop thinking about the incident and wanted to make the machine more safe. When she went home she sketched out some ideas until she found a solution. She invented a device that could stop the loom any time it malfunctioned. The Textile mills all over New England adopted her invention.

Margaret moved to Springfield, Massachusetts at the age of 18. She worked at the Columbia Paper Bag Company. The company’s bags didn’t have flat bottoms. Instead, they were glued together like an envelope. People have tried for years to make a machine that could make flat bottom bags. But they were unsuccessful. Margaret decided she would give it a try. She set up a workshop in her basement. After work each night, she spent hours working on her design. Once she had thought she made a working design, she built a wooden model, or prototype. It had took her two years to create and perfect her design.

Other Inventors used the same machine shop to work on their inventions. One of those inventors, Charles Annan, saw her design. He thought it was a good idea. He quickly made his own prototype and rushed to the patented office and patented it. Meanwhile, Margaret continued perfecting her design. When she felt it was good as it good get, she took her machine to the patented office to get patented. She filled out all the necessary paperwork and gave it to the patent clerk. The clerk told her Charles Annan patented the idea a week earlier.

Margaret wasn’t going to let him get away with that, so she sued Charles Annan for the patent rights. She won the battle in the court so she got the invention patented.

Margaret made many great inventions and now she has shown everyone that women can do what men can. Many people thought only men can build or design things, but Margaret shown those people that that’s not true.
"Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor" tells about a female inventor in the 1800s. Explain how Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today. Write a well-organized, structured response using specific evidence from the passage to support your answer.

**Writer's Checklist**

In the passage it said that in the 1800's women were expected to take jobs around the house or at textile mills. It also said that Margaret Knight did not like to do things like other little girls she liked to make things with her tools. She made things like sleds, kites, and toys with moving parts. In the text it stated that saw someone seriously injured and wanted to make the machine better. So she invented something that would stop the loom anytime it malfunctioned. Her textile mill invention became very popular in England. Then it said that she moved to Springfield to work at a paper bag company. Back then people couldn't invent a machine that folded paper bags with a flat bottom until her. So, she built a wooden prototype that after two years of testing finally worked. She moved to Boston to make an iron prototype and when someone stolen her idea she never gave up. Knight knew a lot about machinery and how it worked. More then men could even imagine.
Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor tells about a female inventor in the 1800s. Explain how Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today. Write a well-organized, structured response using specific evidence from the passage to support your answer.

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I believe that in the story Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor it uses many ways that Margaret Knight showed woman that if you work for something really hard you will accomplish it. She filled out all the necessary paperwork and gave it to the patent clerk. The clerk told her that Charles Annan patented the idea a week earlier. Knight knew Annan had stolen her idea, and she wasn't going to let him get away with it. Knight sued for the patent rights. She kept good records and took all of her documentation with her to the court. She proved that she was the inventor of the machine. The courts took the patent away from Annan and gave it to Knight. In the text you can see that it was probably a long process to get her patent but she fought hard and eventually the court gave it to her.

Also there is a sentence in the passage that shows you how much she changed factories. Even today: "Her invention is still used today in factories throughout the world that make paper bags." In that one sentence you can see how she changed the world and probably a lot of factories owners lives because finally what a lot of people had tried and failed to do, Margaret Knight accomplished. Her invention also probably inspired a lot of women who may go out and change the world with their inventions because of how she inspired them.

Now you probably see how Margaret Knight led women to get there right. Margaret Knight was born in 1800. She did not like to play with dolls, cook or sew like many other little girls. She liked many things with her tools. When she thought of something to create, she sketched the idea out in her notebook and then found the supplies to make it. Knight made sleds, kites, and toys with moving parts for her brothers. She even made a foot warmer for her mother. So you can see that Margaret Knight probably knew she was different from the other girls at a young age but she also probably inspired girls like her to be themselves no matter if your friend is like you or different. When she invented things and people saw her work it probably inspired them to embrace there true passion which could be anything they truly wanted.

Also she invented things that were very useful and sometimes made life easier or safer. For example "Knight went to school until she was twelve years old and then went to work at a textile mill. One day a shuttle flew off a loom. It hit and seriously injured a worker. Knight could not stop thinking about the accident. She thought about how to make the machine safer." In the text it says "make the machine safer." And that's what she did. She made many sketches in her notebook until she found a solution. She invented a device that would stop the loom any time it malfunctioned. Textile mills all over New England adopted her new invention. And there she also changed the world by making hospitals less busy because there would be less injuries in the factories. Which also meant they didn't need to use as many resources to make medicines and less money they have to spend on building hospitals. So you could say she also made it more efficient.

It states in the text that "Knight is a wonderful role model for children everywhere. She proved that anyone can succeed if they put their mind to it." So you can see that you can prove that she was a great role model and mothers probably encouraged them to follow in Margaret Knight's footsteps. She changed not only factory worker's lives, but lots of children's lives too. In conclusion Margaret Knight changed many lives and also changed the history of the world's inventions. So lots of women followed in her footsteps and inspired them to fight for their rights.
"Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor" tells about a female inventor in the 1800s. Explain how Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today. Write a well-organized, structured response using specific evidence from the passage to support your answer.

**Writer's Checklist**

During the time of Margaret Knight women did not have the same rights they have today. Margaret would not let that stop her though Margaret Knight was born in 1838 she was different then most women. She did not show interest in dolls, cooking or sewing like other little girls. How ever she did show great interest in building. When she had an idea she would sketch it in her own note book.

Margaret was very creative and smart. When she would sketch her idea she would not rest until she created it and it worked! Her first invention was when she was twelve. Then she worked day and night to create a loom that would not malfunction and hurt someone. Textile mills every were in New England adopted her idea!

Knight moved to Springfield Massachusetts. When she was 18 she worked at the Columbia paper bag company. There bags where curved many people had tried and failed to make the bags flat but they just couldn’t get it. Then Margaret decided that she might as well give it a try. She then made room in her basement for her invention. For two years she would work on it when ever she would have the chance. Finally after those long two years she had made the perfect design. Then she took it to the patent but found out that another inventor stole her idea! Then she sued him and showed the evidence to the judge and got the invention.

Knight proved to everyone that if you put your mind to it you can do anything!
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Margaret Knight may be one of the lesser known inventors out there, however, she dared to choose a different path than most women. Instead of doing jobs like cooking and sewing, she built her own machines and made her own inventions! This is how Knight’s actions helped lead the way for the women of today.

First of all, when she was a little girl, she didn’t play with dolls, cook, or sew, she created things like sleds, toys, and even a foot warmer! “When she thought of something to create, she sketched the idea out in a notebook and then found the supplies to make it.” She was quite creative!

Second of all, when she worked at the Columbia Paper Bag Company, she created a machine that would allow paper bags with flat bottoms to be made! “It took two years to create and perfect her design. But Knight did what so many before her tried and failed to do. She created a machine that made flat-bottomed paper bags.” Without her, the bottoms would still be held together with glue!

And finally, when someone stole her idea and PATENTED it, she didn’t just let it happen! Knight fought for the patent that was so rightfully hers! “Knight new Annan had stolen her idea, and she wasn’t gonna let him get away with it. Knight sued for the patent rights. She kept great records and took all of her documentation with her to court. She proved that she was the inventor of the machine. The courts took the patent away from Annan and gave it to Knight.” That woman is a fighter!

In conclusion, Margaret Knight did what many women didn’t do, she became an inventor, she created a machine that made paper bags with flat bottoms, and when someone stole her idea, she fought for the patent in court and won. Knight is a true leader for women today.
"Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor" tells about a female inventor in the 1800s. Explain how Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today. Write a well-organized, structured response using specific evidence from the passage to support your answer.

**Writer's Checklist**

Margaret Knight's invention of the paper bag machine most likely helped women today be what ever we want to be is maybe they have ideas too or maybe they are more useful than just cleaning cooking and weaving or maybe we should give them a chance.

Margaret Knight's Paper Bag Invention helped in a lot of ways but the hidden reason is in you today. What was it like 60 or more years ago? You probably wouldn't want to live there. Girls had mostly no rights at all they did was cook and clean. But when Margaret Knight came around all this attention came to her about her talent in building, when she moved to Massachusetts at the age of 18 she saw a problem at her work (the paper bag company). She did not like that she had to fold and paste the bag she wanted a machine to do it for her but other people have done it before and have never succeeded. Margaret drew and drew and drew in her notebook and finally she got an idea she made a model and soon it was perfect. But while in the making of this another invention Charles Crann took her idea and made it a thing and she sued him for all he was worth! Go girl! But truly I think if she hadn't come along we would still be like back then, see girls have things to say!!

Do your parents make you clean and do chores well don't complain because if you lived maybe 50 years ago that is all you would have done, thank Margaret Knight she was able to stand up and say "why why am I going to spend my life in a kitchen can't I be a mechanic or a builder why am I here?" she went out side the box and created something amazing and she stood out she was called the female Edison.

This comes together to form YOUR future and with out girls who have taken a chance to get their rights are some amazing people.
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Margaret's actions help lead the way for women today by when she she decided it wasn't safe with the looms so made a machine that made it safer. She also wanted to figure out a way to make paper bags with flat bottoms. When she did Charles stole the idea and made it as his own. When she found out she sued him and reclaimed her invention.

The evidence from the story is: "Charles Arman saw her design he thought it was a excellent idea."
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Writer’s Checklist

I read "Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor" and I think Margaret helped women today by creating important and special inventions. I think the Theme of the passage is “Never Give Up”

Margaret showed that anybody can make a difference when she made all the inventions that helped everyone with certain jobs. Women today are just like Margaret because everyone believes that they can make a difference.

This passage reminds of the book "Candy Makers" because the kids in "Candy Makers” create different kinds of candy for other kids, just like Margaret made inventions for others and their safety. The kids in "Candy Makers" don't just give up if they don't succeed the first time. Just like Margaret Knight.

The passage Margaret Knight's theme is Never give up and now you know my reasons.
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**Writer's Checklist**

The passage "Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor" supports the fact that she helped lead the way for women today. To begin, she understood machinery. Secondly, she was very determined to do what was needed and right. Lastly, she showed women that we can be different. All of these evidences prove that her actions lead the way for the women of today.

First of all, Margaret Knight built things which was against society at her time. Women weren't expected to understand machines. Her first invention was a device that made the looms where women worked safer. Also, she made a machine that produced flat-bottomed paper bags that others had tried and failed to create. Both of these evidences prove the fact that she lead the way by comprehending machinery.

Moving on, she was a determined woman. Do you think that without her determination the women of today would have the courage to do most everything in their daily life? She was so determined that she persevered for two years to build her paper bag machine. Similarly, when Charles Annan stole her idea she was determined to have it back and took him all the way to court and won. This information proves that she lends us with her determination.

Last but not least, Margaret Knight proved that we could be different than the expectations people put on us. In paragraph two it states that, "She did not like to play with dolls, cook, or sew like many other little girls." Also, she proved others wrong by the fact that she didn't work at the textile mills long, when most others worked there or places like it. Most of their lives. These evidences support the fact that Margaret Knight lead the way for women by not doing what other expected of her.

In conclusion, Margaret Knight's actions have paved the way for women today. First, she was able to comprehend the machinery that supposedly only men understood. Also, she was determined so much so that when she set her mind to something she did it. Finally, she proved that you don't have to stay within the guidelines that society sets up for you. All in all, Margaret Knight, through her actions throughout her life helped to lead and mold the women of today's time.

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Margaret Knight was an amazing inventor. Do you think she could handle it? You can't decide? That's fine, let's take a look into what her life was like.

The first thing I want to talk about is was her life hard? I think it was because she wanted to be an inventor but she was a girl. According to the text all of the other girls wanted to learn how to sew, clean, cook, and play with dolls. But all Margaret wanted to do was to invent.

So, that was life for her back then when she was little. According to the passage now she is eighteen years old and lives in Springfield, Massachusetts. That is where she worked at the Columbia Paper Bag Company, and invented the flat-bottom paper bags. But when she went to a machine shop to work on her invention, the other inventor Charles Aninn stole Margaret's idea for himself. He took his prototype of the invention and went to the patent office he got a patent and left. Without Margaret knowing she went with her prototype to the patent office and she turned it in but the person that was giving out patents said that Charles had already gotten a patent for that same invention. So she took it to court and had proof that the invention was hers so they took the patent from Charles and gave it to her.

Lastly, after all of that patent drama, she ended up making over eighty inventions and only twenty-six patents. According to the text she was described as "Female Edison" in a newspaper article. She made a lot of inventions but Thomas Edison held over one thousand patents for all of his inventions. In a way Edison and Knight are not that different from each other.

In conclusion I feel she is super important to our history. She also in her lifetime proved that girls are more important than we thought and that girls can do whatever they want with their dreams.
"Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor" tells about a female inventor in the 1800s. Explain how Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today. Write a well-organized, structured response using specific evidence from the passage to support your answer.

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This is how Margaret Knight's actions lead the way for women today. In the story it said "Some sources credit her for with more than 80 inventions," and she made many popular inventions that we still use today. That shows that Knight made lots of inventions and that she constructed inventions that were kind of similar to Edison's inventions.

It said also said that "One newspaper article described her as a female Edison." That shows that women can do things that men can do even though she didn't make as many inventions as Edison.

She was very determined because when Annan saw her design he made a prototype and got a patent but Knight proved that she was the inventor of the machine and Knight got the patent. That shows that women don't need there husbands to rely on.

That is how Margaret Knight actions helped lead the way for women today.
“Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor” tells about a female inventor in the 1800s. Explain how Margaret Knight’s actions helped lead the way for women today. Write a well-organized, structured response using specific evidence from the passage to support your answer.

**Writer’s Checklist**

Margaret Knight went to school till she was twelve years old. After that she worked at a textile mill. When she was working, ideas popped into her head. She would write them down on an notebook.

One day there was a worker that was seriously hurt, because her machine malfunctioned. After that, Margaret could only think of how she could improve the machine. Then, an idea popped into her head, she quickly wrote it down. Her idea was how to make the looms they worked on safer. There was one problem. People thought men were the only people who knew how to build a machine. She soon proved them wrong.

After work that day she went down to her basement, and set up a workshop. Then she went back to her notebook, and drew all the parts to the machine, then she went and found all the parts she needed. Every day after work she went to her workshop and started working on her NEW and IMPROVED/safer machine. It took her two years to do her first new and improved safer machine and her motto that she will be showing the patent clerk.

One day a man named Charles Annan, saw her design and rushed home to make his own prototype of her design. After he was done with his own prototype he took it to the patent clerk. A week later Margaret took her prototype to the patent clerk. He told Margaret that that Charles Annan had already brought a prototype like that to him. Right away Margaret knew Charles Annan stole her design. She took it to court. She proved to the court that it was her design. The court denied her and took Charles prototype and gave it to Margaret.

Margaret made plenty of more inventions. She was none as one of the greatest inventors. But Thomas Edison was the greatest inventor of all time. Margaret was the second greatest inventors. Some of Margaret’s and Tomas’s inventions are still used today.
Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor tells about a female inventor in the 1800s. Explain how Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today. Write a well-organized, structured response using specific evidence from the passage to support your answer.

Writer's Checklist

I think that Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today. First, Margaret inspired many individuals. Also, she showed the world women can do things men can do. Finally, she verified that women are as smart as men. Margaret Knight showed the way for women today.

To start off, Margaret Knight inspired many women. This is important because to make change you must see change. To give one example, she showed that women can be good inventors. She broke a barrier showing that women were capable of learning how machinery worked and making new things. Margaret also showed that women don't always want to "take jobs like cooking or sewing." No they want to explore the unknown. Margaret Knight inspired many individuals to veer off the path of expectations.

To move on, Margaret Knight showed women can do things that men can. This is important because sometimes you need to see to believe. Inventing was considered male work but she went out and did just that. She even earned a name for herself "female Edison." She also build many things and faced a challenge that the men couldn't solve and she did. She ever passed with flying colors. She proved that women can do things that men can.

Last but not least, she proved women can be as smart as men sometimes even smarter. This is important because we would miss out on so many luxuries without women inventors. The text says that, "she was a great problem solver." Her name was even put by Thomas Edison. He was a world class inventor and she is compared to him. Margaret verified women can be as smart as men.

All in all, Margaret Knight's actions helped pave the way for women today. First, she inspired many women. Next, she showed that women can do things men can do. Finally, she showed that women can be as smart as men. Margaret Knight showed the way for many people today.
"Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor" tells about a female inventor in the 1800s. Explain how Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today. Write a well-organized, structured response using specific evidence from the passage to support your answer.

Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today in many ways. For example, in the passage it said that women were expected to take jobs such as cooking or sewing. Many of them worked in textile mills weaving cloth at a loom. Margaret Knight didn't like to cook or sew such as other girls. She liked to create things with her tools. It also said also explained how when she was twelve years old she went to work at a textile mill. One day there was an accident where a shuttle flew off the loom and someone got seriously injured. That inspired her to come design a much safer machine. Another way she helped lead the way for women is she fought for her rights as an inventor. It explained how Margaret Knight had a good design for a machine that could create flat-bottomed paper bags. But she had to make a iron prototype of her machine in order to get her idea patented. So she went to a machine shop in Boston. Other inventors such as Charles Annan used that same shop. Annan saw Knight's design and thought it was an excellent idea. So he made his own prototype, and zoomed to the patent office, and got it patented. After Knight had perfected her iron prototype, she went to the patent office to get her idea patented, but they said someone already had that idea. So Knight decided to fight in court about it. She had a good argument and won. That’s when they transferred the patent to her. The last reason why she helped lead the way for women is she was passionate about what she did. All her ideas were useful, such as Thomas Edison's were. As you probably know Edison is one of the world’s greatest inventors. He held over 1,000 patents. Edison was sure that his inventions were going to make the world a better place, and so was Knight. This is why she was passionate about her work. That’s also why she helped lead the way for women today!
Margaret Knight is a inventor she was born in 1838 and she is also a big influence on people today because of her role model personality. She is a big inspiration and has a lot of dedication.

Margaret Knight was a inspiration to many people in her career. She was a big inspiration to girls though. I think she was a role model to girls around the world. First off, she had a different job than most woman. From the text I gathered that most women sewed or cooked. Many women worked in textile mills weaving cloth at a loom. Next, she showed that you could do anything you were passionate about. Margaret was passionate about inventing but most women didn’t do that but she still did it because she was passionate about it. Finally she showed it was okay to be different. Once again most women didn’t invent but she did. In the paragraph of Early Life most girls played with dolls. But Margaret didn’t like to do that. She liked to play with tools. Also, it says that Margaret had many ideas of inventions so she had a notebook that she sketched her ideas in. Then she found the supplies to make it then she made them. Margaret also made a foot warmer for her mother.

Next, I think Margaret was a big inspiration. I think she made women less worried to be different and go out of their comfort zone to follow their dreams. Margaret was also a big inspiration because she follow her dreams no matter what problems stood in her way. Back then not a lot of girls thought that they could be different but Margaret was different and that’s why I think she is a big inspiration to women. Also, Margaret wasn’t afraid to follow her dreams. She was dedicated to following her dreams and I think that is why women look up to her.

Finally, Margaret had a lot of dedication to follow her dreams. First she didn’t give up one bit when challenges were in her way. In the text it says that Charles Annan completely copied the idea of Margaret Knight, she made a exact replica and patented it a week earlier than Margaret was planning to. They took it to court and the patent was taken from Charles and was given to Margaret. If she would of given up there she might of kept her inventing career going. She might of not been as famous as she is today and woman might not learn from her as good because she gave up and didn’t keep going. Next, she had patience and lots of it she always wanted her inventions spot on. It says in the text that it took her almost 2 years to perfect her paper bag invention and she still didn’t give up on it there she continued to make it better and better until she thought it was the best it could be. Finally, Margaret Knight worked very hard on her career she never stopped giving up on her dream as a inventor and it payed off! She has made some of the most useful inventions that we still use to this day like a paper bag maker, a window frame, and a sewing machine reel and that is just a few of her many useful inventions.

All in all Margaret Knight was a big influence to many people and many people still look up to her to this day. She is a big role model to woman. She is a inspiration to many people and she has a lot of dedication. Margaret Knight will always be a big inspiration to people around the world.
"Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor" tells about a female inventor in the 1800s. Explain how Margaret Knight’s actions helped lead the way for women today. Write a well-organized, structured response using specific evidence from the passage to support your answer.

**Writer’s Checklist**

| Do you know who Margaret Knight was? | Margaret Knight was an inventor. She believed that girls and women should get to do more than just sewing and cooking. 
Margaret was born in 1834 and she didn’t like playing dolls or cooking or sewing. Instead, she liked making things. 
Margaret made lots of things like sleds, kites, and toys. She went to school until she was twelve years old, then she went to a textile mill. When she was at the textile mill, a shuttle flew off a loom and injured a worker. Margaret then thought about how to make the machine safer. Margaret sketched many drawings in her notebook until she found a solution. She made a device that would stop the loom anytime it malfunctioned. 
When she was eight, she started working at the Columbia Paper Bag Company. The bags that were there didn’t have flat bottoms, instead, they were glued like an envelope. Margaret then decided she would make a machine that could make bags have flat bottoms. It took two years to get it perfect. Once when Margaret needed a prototype, she moved to Boston and with the help of a machinist, she spent her days working on her prototype. Other workers used the same work shop. One inventor Charles Anson saw her design copied it, and rushed to get a patent on it. Then when Margaret went to get a patent on it, she couldn’t. Then she sued for the patent rights and she proved that it was her invention. 
When Margaret got older, she had a total of twenty-six patents and around 80 inventions. 
Margaret Knight lived in a time when people thought women were not supposed to know about machinery and how it worked. But she proved them wrong because she was a great problem solver and a great inventor. This is how Margaret’s actions helped lead the way for women today. |

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Margaret Knight did things that I thought a woman could never do in the 1800s. She proved that women are equal to men and can do anything men can do. Margaret helped women get the same rights as men.

Many girls look up to her because she was brave enough to not care what other people think and to be different than other women. After reading this passage I look up to her too.

Margaret showed people that they should not just assume that since she's a girl she can't do anything that a boy can do because she can do anything she puts her mind to. For example, in paragraph 3 a dangerous machine seriously injured someone and she couldn't stop thinking about it so she made a machine that did the same thing but it was much more safe.

In conclusion, Margaret was a great role model for young women and did many things people back then thought were impossible. She did things that make me want to try it too!
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Margaret Knight’s actions help lead the way for women by, showing that women can do things and succeed if they put their heart and mind to it. In the first paragraph of the passage it says that women were expected to take jobs like cooking or sewing, and none of the women knew how to build, or so they thought. Margaret wanted to prove them wrong. Margaret always found a way to fix things and always succeeded. When she was eight years old she moved to Springfield, Massachusetts and worked at a paper bag company. The bags that the company made didn’t have flat-bottomed. Many people try to create a machine that would help, they were unsuccessful. Margaret decided to try to make a machine that would work. She spent hours working on her invention. When she had a working design, she built a wooden prototype of her machine. It took two years to create and perfect her design. Finally, she created a machine that made flat-bottomed paper bags. She went to patent her machine so she could get the right to sell it, but she needed an iron prototype of her machine. So she moved to Boston with the help of a machist and began. Another inventor saw Margaret’s invention and thought it was excellent and made his own prototype of it and turned it in. When Margaret fell her was good she turned it in to the patent office. She got the news about Charles and sued the patents right. She kept records and documentation with her to court and proved that she was the inventor of the machine. The court took the patent away from Charles and gave it to Margaret. Margaret showed women to fight for what’s right and never give up. Now things have changed women all around the world are making a difference, because of people like Margaret.
Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today because she made people believe that women could do anything and should not be underestimated. Margaret lived during a time when people thought women should not know how to make machinery. People thought women were supposed to cook or sew at textiles. Margaret did not like to play with dolls, cook, or sew like other women, though. Instead, Margaret liked to design and build toys and machines for her brothers.

She fixed many inventions that others didn't try to fix. She made things safer to use. Margaret got a patent for a machine she built that made flat-bottomed paper bags. After she invented this people started referring her as female Edison. They said this because she built many inventions and had 26 patents, not as many as Thomas Edison, who had over 1,000 patents, but quite a few. Margaret made a device to make looms safer, a machine for making flat-bottomed paper bags, and a sewing reel. She also made a machine for cutting soes of shoes, a dress and skirt protector, and a window frame and sash.

Margaret Knight proved many people wrong. She proved that women could succeed at anything as long as they put their minds to it. She proved that women are superior and can do anything.

Today, women are becoming anything they want to be, like teachers, doctors, engineers, scientists, mechanics, business owners, police officers, interior designers, firefighhters, inventors, authors, artists, athletes, congress members and many more things. Women are all these things today, because of what Margaret Knight proved so many years ago. Margaret Knight was a problem solver, and so many women can follow their dreams just like Margaret Knight.
"Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor" tells about a female inventor in the 1840s. Explain how Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today. Write a well-organized, structured response using specific evidence from the passage to support your answer.

**Writer's Checklist**

- In the biography "Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor," Margaret proves that women are equal to men in many ways. She proves this because of her understanding of machines, her inventions, and how she was looked at equal to a MAN inventor Thomas Edison.

- Margaret had an amazing understanding of machines, she knew things that people thought women couldn't know about machines. An example of this would be that the author says in paragraph four, lines four through twelve it states that many people tried to create a machine that could fold and paste a flat bottom bag but no one had any success. Margaret decided to give it a try worked and she worked hard in her basement of her mother's house and soon she had created a machine that could fold and paste paper bags!

- Margaret made 26 inventions in her lifetime. In the graph at the bottom of the biography it lists some of hers. She made a sewing machine reel, a machine for cutting shoe soles, a dress and skirt protector and many others. She proved with these inventions that women can make and do useful things besides just cooking and cleaning!

- Margaret knight was compared equal to man who also created very useful inventions in his life but instead of only 26 inventions he had 1,000! Yet Margaret was still compared equal as a great inventor to him. The male inventors name was Thomas Edison! The biography shows her device to make looms safer compared equal to the motion picture camera that he invented! If this doesn't prove that women are equal to men I don't know what could!

- In conclusion Margaret was an amazing inventor, she could understand machines, and she proved that men and women are created equal. She showed that woman can be just as good as men at many things besides cooking, cleaning, and sewing. She set women on the right path and it makes me wonder if things would still be the way they are if Margaret gave up or didn't become an inventor. I'm thankful she was strong, creative, and didn't give up!
Margaret Knight, Paper Bag Machine Inventor tells about a female inventor in the 1800s. Explain how Margaret Knight’s actions helped lead the way for women today. Write a well-organized, structured response using specific evidence from the passage to support your answer.

Writer’s Checklist

Margaret Knight helped lead women to where they are today because she showed that it isn’t impossible to stand up for yourself. Margaret introduced to women that they can do the same thing men can do.

Some evidence from the passage to support my answer is, “Knight made sleds, kites, and toys with moving parts for her brothers.” This evidence shows that just because Margaret is a woman, doesn’t mean she can’t do the same as men can and create new inventions.

Some more evidence is, “After working at the paper bag company for a short time, Knight decided to give it a try.” Margaret Knight wanted to try to make a paper bag machine that would create paper bags with flat bottoms. Most people that tried to complete this task, didn’t turn up successful. The evidence I used indicates that Knight always wanted to try to make or improve something to make it better. Knight also successfully created the machine she wanted to, so that shows that she doesn’t give up easily.

Margaret Knight also had her paper bag machine idea stolen and patented by Charles Annan. This didn’t make her happy so Knight went to court with Charles Annan. Knight won her patent back and Charles patent was taken away.

Margaret Knight was alsonick named the “Female Edison”. She was nick named this because she also created a lot of inventions. Although she didn’t create as many as Thomas Edison because he made over one thousand, she still created about 80 inventions in her life time.

A little more evidence from the story is that one of her fellow workers were injured in a textile mill accident. Margaret couldn’t stop thinking about the accident so she did this.” Knight thought about how she could make the machine safer.” When she figured out how, it worked like this, “She invented a device that would stop the loom any time it malfunctioned.” This evidence shows that Margaret Knight didn’t just make inventions for money, she made them to help and protect people. This should also give you a hint that she wasn’t selfish.

In conclusion, Margaret Knight was an amazing role model for people of all ages. Margaret never gave up and that inspired people to do the same. That is how Margaret Knight led women to become how they are today.
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1. Margaret Knight helped women today by being creative and making inventions. Back then, everyone just thought that women were just good at cooking, sewing and cleaning. A woman being creative? That could never happened! Well, that's what they thought. Margaret Knight wasn't a quitter though and she proved them all wrong.

   You see when Margaret Knight was just a girl, she wasn't interested in sewing, or playing with dolls. She was interested in making things! She would sketch them out and then find the supplies to make them! She didn't care what girls were expected to do, she just wanted to be creative!

2. When Margaret was 12 years old, she was in a factory accident after a loom malfunctioned and she was seriously hurt. She couldn't stop thinking about what had happened! That's when she was determined to find a solution to make sure that it would never happen again. Then she found her solution, she revised the machine. So that if the machine malfunctioned the loom would stop! Margaret Knight had just made the first of her many machines.

   At the age of 18, Margaret moved to Springfield, Massachusetts. She started working at the Columbia Paper Bag Company. The bags didn't have flat bottoms, they were glued together. How weird would that be? That's when Margaret Knight came up with the idea of her second machine. She quickly got to work on her new idea that many had tried to make, but all attempts were unsuccessful. She came up with a wooden prototype but the machine had to be iron for her to get a patent.

   The machine shop that she worked in was also opened up to other inventors. One day an inventor by the name of Charles Annen walked through the shop and saw Margaret's new prototype and noticed it was a wonderful machine. So he made his own prototype and called the awesome machine his own. Margaret was furious when she finally went to get her machine patent, only to find out it had been patented by a different inventor a week earlier. She sued and the court took away Charles's patent and gave it to it's rightful inventor.

3. Margaret Knight was a brilliant mind. She proved everyone wrong and showed, women could understand and make machinery too.

   Knight is a huge inspiration for girls and women everywhere. She made sure that everyone knew that just because you are not a man, doesn't mean you can't do great things.
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I feel that Margaret Knight's actions helped lead the way for women today by having an interest in doing things most women didn’t. Then doing what she wanted to do for a career. And standing up for her rights.

First of all, Margaret had an interest in making things since she was little. She liked to sketch ideas in a notebook the found suppliers to make it. She didn’t like to play with dolls, cook, or sew like lots of other girls she created things for her brothers and mother all when she was little.

Second of all she did what she wanted to do after a shuttle flew at a worker and seriously injured one of the workers. Margaret couldn't stop thinking about and decided to create something to make the machine safer. She invented a device that could stop the loom any time it would malfunction. Textile mills all over the place in New England adopted her idea.

Third of all, after she created a machine that made flat-bottomed paper bags, a man named Charles Annum saw her design and quickly made his own then went to the patent office and patented it. During all that Charles was doing Margaret continued trying to perfect her design. When she felt it was as good as it could get, she took it to the patent office. She filled out all the paper work she had to and gave it to the patent clerk. The clerk told her Charles Annum patented the idea a week earlier. Margaret knew Charles had stolen her idea, and he wasn't going to get away with it. Margaret sued for the patent rights. She proved she was the inventor of the machine. The court took the patent away from Charles and gave it to Margaret.

In conclusion Margaret actions helped lead the way for women today by having an interest in something women didn't usually do. Doing what she wanted when she got older. And standing up for what she should be able to do. Margaret is a good role model for women.
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Margaret Knight’s actions helped lead the way for women today because most little girls back then usually played with dolls, but Margaret liked to build stuff out of tools. When she had an idea she sketched it then found supplies to make it. She also made sleds, toys with moving parts for her brothers and a footwarmer for her mother.

Then when she was 12 she worked in a textile factory. Then one day a shuttle flew off a loom and seriously injured another worker. So she invented a device that would stop the loom anytime it malfunctioned.

Knight moved to Springfield, Massachusetts when she was 18. There she worked at the Columbia Paper Bag Company. The company made bags that didn’t have flat bottoms instead they were glued together. For years people tried to invent a machine that could fold and paste paper bags, but they were unsuccessful. After working at the bag company for a short time she decided she would give it a try. She set up a workshop in the basement of her house. Every night when she finished work she spent hours on her invention. Finally when she thought she had a working design she built a wooden prototype. It took her 2 years to make and perfect her design.

She was going to file a patent for but she needed an iron prototype so she moved to Boston and a machinist helped her build it and they spent days on it. Other inventors used her workshop to work on their inventions. One man named Charles Annan saw her invention and thought it was an excellent idea so quickly built his own prototype and patented it. Meanwhile Knight was perfecting her design when she thought it was perfect she went to the office to patent it. She filled out all the paperwork and the clerk said Charles Annan patented the idea and Margaret knew that he stole her idea so she sued for the patent rights. When she went to court they took the patent away from Charles and gave it to Margaret.

The way her actions helped lead women today was by most women cooked or sewed and when she started inventing things more women today might start inventing things.
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Margaret Knight's actions have made a big great effect for women these days. These days women can do whatever job they want, just like Margaret Knight chose to. A woman can choose to have any kind of job they want without having to be told to do it or not.

First of all, I know that in the past, every woman's job was to stay home and take care of the children, while their husband's went and did all the hard work. Later on, children started working in factories and in mines. During that time, children could get hurt pretty easily. Which is probably why Margaret wanted to invent something so that it was safer.

Now these days, women can choose to be whoever they want to be. Thanks to Margaret Knight's creativity, we don't have to be afraid of following your dream of being: inventors, divers, mechanics, or anything else you want to be. I am grateful that Margaret Knight followed her heart and dreams or else we might still be doing what women did in the past.

After all, I think Margaret Knight's actions have made a very huge difference in our world for women. As a child, I think that Margaret is a very intelligent, creative, confident, and not afraid to fail women. Now that I've read this story I know more about my history and why our world today is the way it is today, especially for women.
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Margaret Knight was a great woman and she helped lead others to succeed in life like she did. Here are three ideas explaining how she did it.

First she helped women by doing what she wanted and not what she was expecting to do. Women were expected to cook, sew, and like dolls but Knight didn't like any of that. Instead she made sleds, kits, toys, and leg warmers for her mom and her brothers. She also went to school until she was twelve years old.

She stood up for herself when someone stole her idea. Charles Annan saw her idea and sold it but then Knight proved that she was the one that made the idea up and not Annan.

Knight also helped people in need. One day at work a accident happened and Knight thought about the accident. It was just because a machine and the person got super angered and so she invented a machine that was safe. It was so helpful that New England adopted the idea.

That is how Margaret Knight helped women and other people.
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1. The success and numerous useful inventions of Margaret Knight had a difference on the world. Her inventions had a great impact on the way the world looked at women.

   In 1836 women's main jobs were cooking and sewing. Men's main jobs were jobs like machinery and building. There was a great distinction between boy and girl jobs. Women were supposed to not understand machinery or any boy jobs. Knight proved them wrong. “She liked making things with her tools.” When Knight was young, she heard a story about a worker getting seriously injured by a shuttle. “She thought about how to make the machine safer.” She invented a machine that would stop the loom any time it malfunctioned. Many mills adopted that successful idea.

   When she was 18 she started working for a paper bag company. The problem was that the paper bags didn't have a round bottom. Knight tried to find a way to make a machine that would fold flat bottoms. “She created that machine that made flat-bottomed paper bags.” When she finally completed her machine it started the idea that women could do any job if they wanted to.

   Her invention still needed to have a patent. Another inventor called Charles Anson thought that Knight had a great idea. He quickly made a prototype and had it patented. Knight called for court and won. “She proved that she had been the inventor.”

   Knight's accomplishments proved that women could do anything if they put their mind to it. She showed that women could do anything they wanted. She also proved that women's talents weren't limited.
Margaret Knight helped women today because she was one of the first female inventors. In Margaret Knight: Paper Bag Machine Inventor it even says "Margaret Knight lived at a time when society made a distinction between women's work and men's work. Women were expected to take jobs like cooking or sewing. Many worked in textile mills weaving cloth at a loom. They ran the looms and many other machines, but did not know how to build them. That's what people thought, anyway. Knight proved them wrong. That is saying that women were not expected to be inventors but now there are many female inventors who have many patents under their wing. Nowadays, women are not segregated into certain jobs or things like like but back then if that happened it wasn't a big deal, that was the social norm. Women cook and sew and men are scientists and inventors. Nowadays if that would happen it would be all over the news the media would blow it out of proportion it would be chaos there would be protests and rallies and angry, angry people! And sure many women didn't like the way they were treated but it wasn't unusual for that kind of social injustice, because back then it wasn't unjust. So for a long, long time that was how women were treated. Another point from the story is when it says "although Knight lived at a time when people thought women were supposed to understand machinery and how it worked, she proved them wrong. She was a great problem solver. Knight is a wonderful role model for children everywhere. She proved that anyone can succeed if they put their mind to it." another example of how she broke down sexist boundary's allowing the road to equal rights to be clear inspiring people that whatever gender doesn't matter what matters is who you are inside.
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Margaret Knight has helped guide the way for women today in many ways.

One way she did was she invented a device to make looms safer after one seriously injured a worker at a textile mill. "One day a shuttle flew off a loom. It hit and seriously injured a worker. Knight could not stop thinking about the accident. She thought about how to make the machine safer. She made many sketches in her notebook until she found a solution. She invented a device that would stop the loom anytime it malfunctioned."

Another way was that she invented a way for paper bags to have a flat bottom when others had failed to do this. "People tried for years to create a machine that could fold and paste a flat-bottomed bag. But they were unsuccessful. After working at the paper bag company for a short time, Knight decided she would give it a try." "It took two years to create and perfect her design. But Knight did what so many before her failed to do. She created a machine that made flat-bottomed paper bags."

This showed that she didn't let the fact that girls weren't as respected and powerful as guys stop her from creating new things. She managed to do what other people couldn't for so long because of this. Those were some ways Margaret Knight helped guide the way for women today.