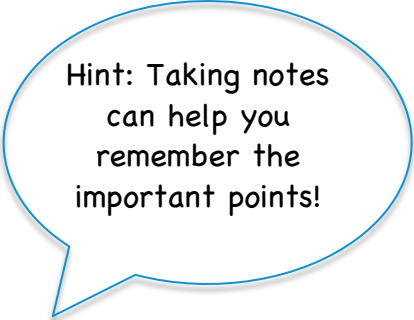


Importance of Women Behind the Camera

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Hint: Taking notes can help you remember the important points!

The role models in the video “Importance of Women Behind the Camera” share their experience in the film industry and explain that not enough women and girls are working in film.

Watch the video “Importance of Women Behind the Camera” at least once. Then read each statement below. Think carefully about each question before you answer it.

1. One role model told us that in life “there are going to be obstacles and there are also going to be people who try to get you down... [but] if you keep pushing forward, then those things will pass.” This means that it’s important to never give up when faced with an obstacle.

What challenges or obstacles have you faced? Have there been people who “try to get you down”? What have you done to keep pushing forward?

2. You heard someone in the video say, “The ways in which you can influence change and new voices, new stories, in this industry is so far reaching.” Stories have always had the power to transform people’s opinions and ideas.

In what ways would you like to be able to educate or influence people? What is something that you would like everyone in the world to know or understand? Explain your answer.

- 3. In the video, listeners learn that there are not as many women and girls in the film industry as men and boys.**

Why do you think there are more men than women in the film industry? Do you think that this will change in the future? Why or why not?

- 4. One role model told us that she thought about picking a career by asking herself, "What do I love?" It's important to consider the types of things that you love to do when thinking about a career.**

What things do you love? Can you think of any careers that involve the things you love? List these careers.

- 5. A role model in the video said, "Our voices, our authentic voices, aren't heard. There are a lot of men who are writing roles for us." This means that men are developing female characters and writing their stories in the film industry.**

How does this make you feel? Do you think that men can tell women's stories? Why or why not?

6. Many women and girls in the film industry create or use storyboards as part of their jobs. Storyboards show visually how a movie or TV show will unfold, shot-by-shot.

Use the boxes below to practice storyboarding a simple story. In each box draw the next part of the story just as you would want it to appear in your movie or TV show.

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