FIRST WAVE FEMINISM (LATE 1700’S- EARLY 1900’S)
❖ Highlight inequalities between the sexes.
❖ Activists like Susan B. Anthony and Victoria Woodhull contribute to women’s suffrage movement.
❖ National Universal Suffrage in 1920 (Passing of 19th Amendment)

SECOND WAVE FEMINISM (EARLY 1960’S- LATE 1970’S)
❖ Building on more equal working conditions necessary in America during World War II.
❖ National Organization for Women (1966)

THIRD WAVE FEMINISM (EARLY 1990’S- PRESENT DAY)
❖ Borrows from post-structural and contemporary gender and race theories
❖ More based on entertainment and electronic.

What is literary feminism?

The use of feminist principles and ideological discourses to critique the language of literature, its structure and being, informed by the feminist theory of focusing on gender inequality and the oppression of females.