

Within this essay it will discuss the statement what that was made by the former prime minister known as Margaret Thatcher, it will look at the statement from a twenty first century perspective. It will include legislation such as the equality act twenty ten and policy to support the aim of this essay.

Margaret Thatcher argued that 'there is no such thing as society. There are individual men and women and there are families. Need to find ref for this.

Margaret Thatcher was the prime minister during nineteen seventy-nine to nineteen eighty. She was known as the iron lady. She believed the individual should be responsible for themselves. She also made it a possibility for the public to purchase their own council housing (Britannica, No date).

Even though Margaret Thatcher created some positive changes, she also created some questionable decisions. Such as closing the mines in which created social upheaval within the public, her and her government also created mass unemployment, in which created more reliance on social welfare (BBC, 2013).

This did the opposite to what Thatcher wanted to happen. Men Within the statement she said there are individual men, the men of that time period (Young, H., 1989).

The nuclear family is a theory that will contain the family unit, it will tend to have the head of the family that will be the male man he will tend to be the bread winner or the main provider, then it will have a female woman who will rely on the man to live. They will then have two children; this is known as the nuclear family (Cutas, D. & Chan, S., 2012).

During thatcher time as prime minister she had to deal with the uprising of the women movement, this movement had changed legislation and how women were viewed, by the social society. Within the second wave of feminism, it began with a woman who know as Betty Friedan's. she created the *Feminine Mystique*, in which was in nineteen sixty-three. There was also a well-known feminist theorist that came before Betty Friedan. she then would come to be related with the second wave of feminism. The *Feminine Mystique* will rise against the systemic sexism that is used in society. They teach that women have their place in society such as the home and if the individual were unhappy as housewives, it was because they were damaged and perverse. Betty Friedan argued that the fault did not truly lie with women, but with the world that will refuse them to exercise their intellectual and overall rights. The *Feminine Mystique* was not a revolutionary in its belief, as many of Betty Friedan's visions were already being debated by the academic

community and also with the feminist community. It could be classed as progressive in its attempt. The feminine mystique then became available to the housewives, who gave then give it to their personal friends, who in turn passed to the middle-class women. The three million people who read this book then began to realized that they were enraged, feminism then gained a cultural momentum. It had positive goals, not only the political goals. But more social equality (Schacht, Steven P & Ewing, Doris W, 1997).

The second wave said that the personal is political, this phrase is traced back to Carol Hanisch, the feminist movement of the time would argue that problems that seemed to be individual, and very trivial such as the topic of sex, relationship and the vital access to abortions and they were systemic, political and fundamental for the fight for fair equality for women. The feminist movement has gained some major legislative changes such as the equal pay act of nineteen sixty-three. It theoretically prohibited a gender pay gap, a large number of court cases during the sixties and seventies. That provided married and unmarried women the overwhelming right to use birth control. The title IX in which gave women the right to educational fairness; and during nineteen seventy-three *Roe.v. Wade* ensured women had control over their reproductive rights and freedom (There is power in understanding, 2018).

The Feminist movement has been anticipating the coming of the fourth wave of the rights of women, they have been waiting since nineteen eighty-six, for it to happen. During the twenty first century

the fourth wave of feminism has happened in the aspect of the women's movement such as the rise of the me too in which is calling the men who have abused women out in a public setting. it has had a lot of coverage from the media. The me too movement describes itself as a movement that is dominated by the third-wave of feminism, it seems seems to be the centre of a movement that is lacking the attributes of the third wave of feminism (Trier-Bieniek & Trier-Bieniek, Adrienne M., 2019).

The feminist know as Jessica Valenti said that "Maybe the fourth wave is online," and that's come to be one of the major ideas of fourth-wave feminism. Online is where activists meet and plan their activism, and it's where feminist discourse and debate takes place. Sometimes fourth-wave activism can even take place on the internet (the "#MeToo" tweets), and sometimes it takes place on the streets (the Women's March), but it's conceived and propagated online (There is power in understanding, 2018).

The fourth wave of feminism will occurred around two thousand and eight this is when social media blossomed such as sites like Facebook, Twitter, were becoming a main to part of the cultural of the time, feminist blogs such as two poplar feminist Jezebel and Feministing were reaching across the global web. During twenty thirteen the idea that had come into the fourth wave of feminism was extensive enough that it was getting poplar newspapers such as the in the Guardian in

which has more of a left agender (Phillips, Ruth & Cree, Vivienne E, 2014).

In the currently timeline of feminism is that the fourth wave are pushing the movement behind MeToo. Within the previous years they were accountable for change in the cultural such as projects like Emma Sulkowicz's Mattress Performance, in which a victim of sexual assault rape at Columbia University carried their mattress around the university until the university removed the man who commit the crime (BBC.2020).

The nuclear family in modern day Britain, this is because of the rise of single parent families. Within twenty fourteen there were eighteen point six million families within the United Kingdom. Out of the eighteen-point six family twelve point five were married couple families. (Office for national statistics, 2014).

The social norms have changed within the Western world since the original idea regarding the theory known as the nuclear family model. Individuals don't follow the same social standards and beliefs that they once believed. When the nuclear family was the normal way of life. The vast majority of individuals view the nuclear family as being the most common way of life. that is not certainly the case within the vast amount regions. The vast majority family units within modern times, will be split into two and also same-sex families with same sex parent (Manalel, Jasmine A & Antonucci, Toni C, 2020).

It is crucial to take into effect that divorce has become more popular within modern day society. When the phrase nuclear family was first established into the sociology circles, divorce were very uncommon. This is because individuals used to stay together no matter, even if the marriage has ended. This trend of staying together has completely altered over time. Even though it is sad to that the vast of marriages end in divorce, it is also a positive because individuals don't feel that they have to stay in a loveless marriage (BROWN, Susan L & LIN, I-Fen, 2012).

Whilst some women would remain in an abusive marriage even though the dangers to their personal well-being, now an individual can leave to start a new life. There are many complex issues with the serious is such as, physical violence, verbal abuse also there is a lot more complexing issues that can affect within a marriage (Refuge, No date).

It can become less problematic for individual to get a divorce, when the individual knows marriage is not going to work out (BROWN, Susan L & LIN, I-Fen, 2012).

What does the broken home mean for the theory of the nuclear family, In Essence, it will mean that the home will be split into two. The two separate family units can be created as branches off of the main theory. Children that are raised within homes where the parents of that family have become divorced can be full of love and successful. It can all depend on how the parents choose to do things and the

importance of making choices that will have a positive impact on the children (Godelier, M. & Scott, N., 2011).

this can have a direct link to Eric Erikson theory of trust vs mistrust, this theory will impact a child, from infancy to adulthood, each stage of this theory will experience a psychosocial issue in which could have a positive or negative outcome for their personal development (Department of physiology, No date).

There are single parent family within the United Kingdom, modern society. Every So Often, one of the parents within a relationship will simply leave the family unit. This might not be competent at raising children. The vast of these families will begin as nuclear families and then can end up having only one parent's present. Others family might have started that way from the beginning, occasionally fathers might leave their pregnant partner before she has a child (Nieuwenhuis, Rense & Maldonado, Laurie C, 2018).

A lone parent will not fit into the nuclear family, The dynamic of two parents does not exist within this household, this is because there is only one authority figure present in the home. Occasionally the single parent of the lone parent family unit will often remarry or find another partner to be in a relationship with. This can tend up having someone who is new to accept the mantle role of becoming a parent, but this often does not occur. You can see that some families will often have a single parent present in the household and for the length of a child's adolescence (Nieuwenhuis, Rense & Maldonado, Laurie C, 2018).

This does not have to be about one of the parents leaving the family unit, but Some people will simply pick to have children by themselves. An individual could decide to adopt a child, if they have a compelling desire to become a parent, they do not have a partner to become a parent. In the twenty first century there are now options such as fertilization in which can help those who have health issues with pregnancy (Allan, G., 1999).

It is not within the twenty first century for two people to have a child together. Two individuals making a child together, is still the highly popular position, but there are other choices that individuals can contemplate. In certain situations, not having to fear about another individual can make the situation simpler. This complete condition has completely changed the way that sociologists have to look at the family unit structure (Allan, G., 1999).

The nuclear family theory is definitely outdated in many situations, It is difficult to deny that the nuclear family theory ideal was a result of its time. That does not mean that it does not have its place or that it is not important. The individual will need to have to recognize that there are many other family forms within the world and that they are changing as time moves forward into the future (Cutas, D. & Chan, S., 2012).

Within twenty fourteen there was two point zero million single parents with a dependent within the united kingdom, Women who were the main parent in a single parent household were ninety one percent more likely to be a female. There was also twenty six point

seven million households within the United Kingdom in twenty fourteen twenty eight percent of the home had a single parent individual within them (Office for national statistics, 2014).

Within the United Kingdom there is a higher living cost, it is the seventh most expensive country within Europe when it comes to expensive. It is also the fourteenth country within the world to live in. To date comparison expatistan the average cost of daily living within the United Kingdom for a single individual is two thousand – two hundred and forty-nine pound. And then for a family of four is three thousand – eight hundred and three. The money advice service put the United Kingdom yearly cost at fourteen thousand – nine hundred and forty-five. Within twenty eighteen, this is from the national statistics (Revolut, 2020).

The Equality Act twenty ten will legally protect an individual from such act as discrimination within the workplace and within society. It has been redone from the last version of anti-discrimination legislation, the United Kingdom government has put it into a single

Act, this has made the law much simpler to grasp and it has also boosting protection within certain situations. It has established the different ways in which it is unlawful to treat a person. Before the legislation had came into effect there had been several different pieces of the legislation that had covered discrimination, such as sex discrimination Act nineteen seventy-five, race relations act ninety seventy-six and the disability discrimination act ninety ninety-five (GOV.UK, 2015).

Within Wales the government has changed a few of its aims in the aspect of a developing society, compared to what the former prime minster had done to Wales during her time, the Welsh government has looked at early years programme for family units who have children under the age of four, who resign within some of the most disadvantaged areas of Wales. The aim of flying start will try and aim to create a decisive difference within the life chances of children by mitigating the effect of poverty, in which has a direct to poor life outcomes within early childhood, such as health outcomes and mental health. The Programme is made up of four entitlements in which provide free quality, part-time childcare for a child that is two to three years old, an health visiting service access to parenting assistance, backing for speech, language and communication advancement. Through a multidisciplinary team approach, in which can identify the vast majority of the needs of the child and the family, provides prudent and proportionate interventions, the flying start intentions is to ensure that the children that they support are healthy and thriving, also that the families are capable and managing. The flying Start

programme state that the children are achieving their potential. The aim of flying start is looking at the early identification of any requirements and the timely treatment of interventions (Flying start, 2017).

Flying Starts will offer an distinct programme of health involvements, the programme can build on top of the universal programme of health visitor interventions which is set by Healthy Child Wales Programme or (HCWP). The healthy child Wales programme provides early intervention and preventative the public health programme in which is vital to public health services. It is essential, that the promoting of positive health and wellbeing to families and the meso communities within Wales. Although the flying start health programme will offer compared to the healthy child Wales programme, in service of the regularity and number of interventions that have been provided. The key difference is that the health visitors are capable to refer to or call upon the assistance of a multidisciplinary team of other likeminded professionals. Both from a health and non-health perspective, who are able to work together to meet the demands of the children and their respective family. The healthy child Wales programme, and the Flying Start programme of health interventions is centred on progressive universalism, in which will mean the interventions and the support that is offered to individual's and their families, should always be proportionate to their calculated level of needs. While all Flying Start eligible families should receive additional interventions beyond those offered universally through the HCWP, those with the greatest level of

identified need should receive the greatest intensity of interventions (Flying start, 2017).

A parent within today's world will have much better parental leave such as Modern day, the parents within one household can get shared parental leave if they are having a baby or even adopting a child, the leave can be shared up to fifty weeks and up to thirty seven weeks of statutory shared parental pay. It must be used before the first-year ends (GOV.UK, No date).

To conclude that the time that Thatcher was prime minister with the society at time also with the world not being as connected as it is now and how the world has changed in the aspect of family, feminism and how society has different aims such as trying to protect the environment.

It has even changed in the legislation such as the equality act, road traffic act and also with the parental leave. From the evidence that this essay has shown that the quote that Thatcher made is outdated and it is impressive how much everything has changed, such as gay rights, same sex families. But the United Kingdom has much more work to do in order for it to be a nation of positive change. Even though Wales has been making changes such programmes being introduced. And legislation being implemented.

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