

1. Check the meaning of the words/phrases in the box. Then, try to match them with the highlighted words in the reading. Be careful of their idiomatic meaning in context and their parts of speech.

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| 1. inspiration | 2. honestly/unashamedly | 3. important/noticeable | 4. pioneering/revolutionary |
| 5. deal with/battle with | 6. distorted/prejudiced | 7. inability to read and write | 8. assigned |
| 9. unmatched/incomparable | 10. the origin of a name | 11. dedicate | 12. copy/imitate |

2. Answer the questions below, based upon the topics raised in the reading, with your own opinions.

- a) Why do you think that there has been increased demand for more female-focused films?
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- b) What do you think it means when the reading states that intelligent female characters are rare?
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- c) Why do you think the reading says that Jesminder should be a role model for young women?
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- d) How does the female character in Precious challenge stereotypical roles about women?
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