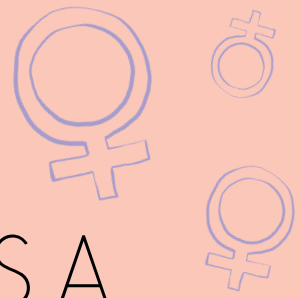


WHEN THE *BIGGEST* FEMINIST IN THE ROOM IS A



GUY...

Emma Watson's not the only one standing up for both sexes. Domenic, 19, is so passionate about equality that he became president of his school's feminism club and even gave a TED talk about his unique experience...



EQUALITY RULES

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I'm just a regular guy. Becoming the president of my school's feminism club wasn't something I could have ever predicted. Out of pure curiosity I decided to check it out. What did they talk about? "What even is feminism?"; I wondered.

At the first meeting I learnt feminism is about women having the same rights as men, but it's also about a lot of other things too – it's about equality for all, regardless of race or gender. I started getting involved at the second meeting, volunteering to sell tickets to a poetry slam. A year later I put myself on the ballot for club president – and I won.

My guy friends definitely had more of an opinion of me joining the feminism club than my girl friends. Some of them teased me, convinced I joined just to meet girls. Some were just like, "OK, you do you". No-one really gave me a hard time about it.

Being in the feminism club has opened my eyes about things girls go through. One night I was hanging out with two of my girl friends,

and at the end of the night I walked home as usual. Later they told me as girls they'd never walk home alone at night. That's something I've never even had to think about.

There were bigger issues I learnt about too, like the pressure girls feel from guys to have sex. At one meeting we talked about what consent means and how to know if someone truly wants to have sex, which can get tricky when one or both people are drunk. Some guys think if a girl gets harrassed when she's drunk it's her own fault for drinking too much and some don't even think it's assault, but it is. After looking at it from the perspective from both girls and guys, it's helped me talk with my friends about serious issues like consent.

It's hard for me to call out my guy friends every time they say something offensive – sadly it happens too often. I do take a stand when it comes to the big stuff though. Some guys I play sport with play this game called Draft where they 'draft' a hot girl from each school to be on their 'team' and the guy with the hottest 'team' wins. I put an end to that game, it's just not cool.

It's really important for guys to learn about feminism and have a broader perspective on life. So many people shy away from the word feminism or feel awkward when it comes up. But we need to be able to talk about serious issues, and that can only happen when you can see things from more than one point of view.

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TWO MORE AWESOME GUY FEMINISTS:



HARRY STYLES

He's spoken about how women's sports are as important as men's, and painted his nails bright red as part of a domestic violence awareness campaign.

DANIEL RADCLIFFE

He gushed about being a feminist to *GQ* saying, "Yes, of course I'm a feminist. Anyone who isn't at this point is swimming against the tide." Preach!



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