



The Audacity of Sophie Germain

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Discover the exceptional life story of Sophie Germain, the scientist who opened the door of mathematics to women.

Sophie is only 13 years old when she first discovers her first mathematical treatises. In ten chapters, each ending with afterwords by eminent mathematicians, discover the incredible life story of this pioneer of feminism who was intent on becoming a mathematician although women were banned from the field at the time. Changing her identity in order to attend university at the École polytechnique, in 1816 Sophie became the first woman in history to pass the competitive Academy of Sciences exam.

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