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**An Answer to a Man's Question,  
"What Can I Do About Women's Liberation?"**

Wear a dress.

Wear a dress that you made yourself, or bought in a  
dress store.

Wear a dress and underneath the dress wear elastic,  
around  
your hips, and underneath your nipples.

Wear a dress and underneath the dress wear a sanitary  
napkin.

Wear a dress and wear sling-back, high-heeled shoes.

Wear a dress, with elastic and a sanitary napkin  
underneath,  
and sling-back shoes on your feet, and walk down  
Telegraph Avenue.

Wear a dress, with elastic and a sanitary napkin and sling-  
back shoes on Telegraph Avenue and try to run.

Find a man.

Find a nice man who you would like to ask you for a date.

Find a nice man who *will* ask you for a date.

Keep your dress on.

Ask the nice man who asks you for a date to come to  
dinner.

Cook the nice man a nice dinner so the dinner is ready  
before

he comes and your dress is nice and clean and wear a  
smile.

Tell the nice man you're a virgin, or you don't have  
birth control, or you would like to get to know him  
better.

Keep your dress on.

Go to the movies by yourself.

Find a job.

Iron your dress.

Wear your ironed dress and promise the boss you won't  
get

pregnant (which in your case is predictable) and you  
like to

type, and be sincere and wear your smile.

Find a job or get on welfare.

Borrow a child and get on welfare.

Borrow a child and stay in the house all day with the child,  
or go to the public park with the child, and take the child  
to the welfare office and cry and say your man left you  
and

be humble and wear your dress and your smile, and  
don't talk

back, keep your dress on, cook more nice dinners, stay  
away from Telegraph Avenue, and still, you won't know  
the

half of it, not in a million years.