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#### PUBLISHING FEMINISM'S ALTERNATIVE KNOWLEDGES

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Abstract: The decades of the 1970s & 1980s saw the production of an extraordinary range of material by feminists across the world, that transformed perspectives and radicalised movements for women's emancipation. Tracts, pamphlets, manifestos, resolutions and sundry documents galvanised the creation of an an alternative knowledge about women that has changed the meaning of the political, as well as the personal.

How was this material made available and disseminated? Who were its authors? Where did it originate? The convergence of the women's movement, the Women in Print movement, and the women's studies



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movement enabled the generation of the kind of knowledge that emerged organically from a practice that began with the experiential, but grounded in the social and political.



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