

# Margaret Bryan Science Education

Learning Leaflet: Women in Science

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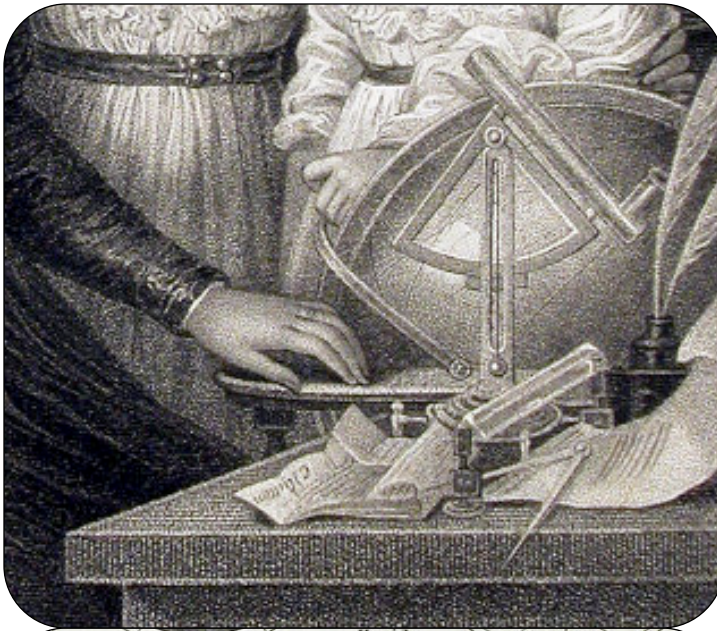
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*Engraved by W. Nuttall from a Miniature of the same size painted by James Shelley.*

Margaret Bryan, *A Compendious System of Astronomy* (1797)

What would you picture in your own scientific portrait?



### Margaret Bryan: Science Education

Margaret Bryan (b. ca. 1769) published several popular scientific textbooks, including *A Compendious System of Astronomy* (1797), *Lectures on Natural Philosophy* (1806), and *An Astronomical and Geographical Class Book for Schools* (1815). The content is organized as a series of lectures, and the books were published by subscription.

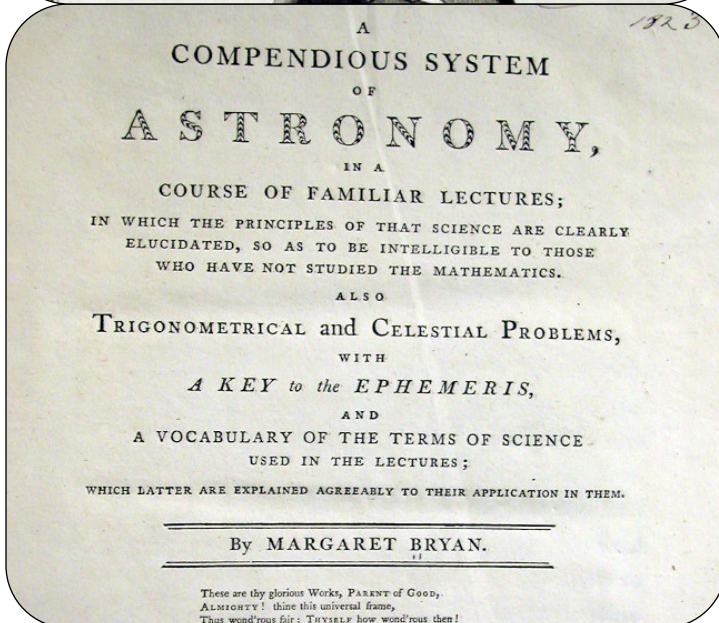
As schoolmistress of a boarding school for girls in London, Bryan taught mathematics and science. She was married and had two daughters.

*What are all the objects in this portrait?*

*Which objects seem most interesting to you?*

*Are any of these objects present in your classroom or school?*

*If an artist were to make your scientific portrait, what objects would you include?*



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