

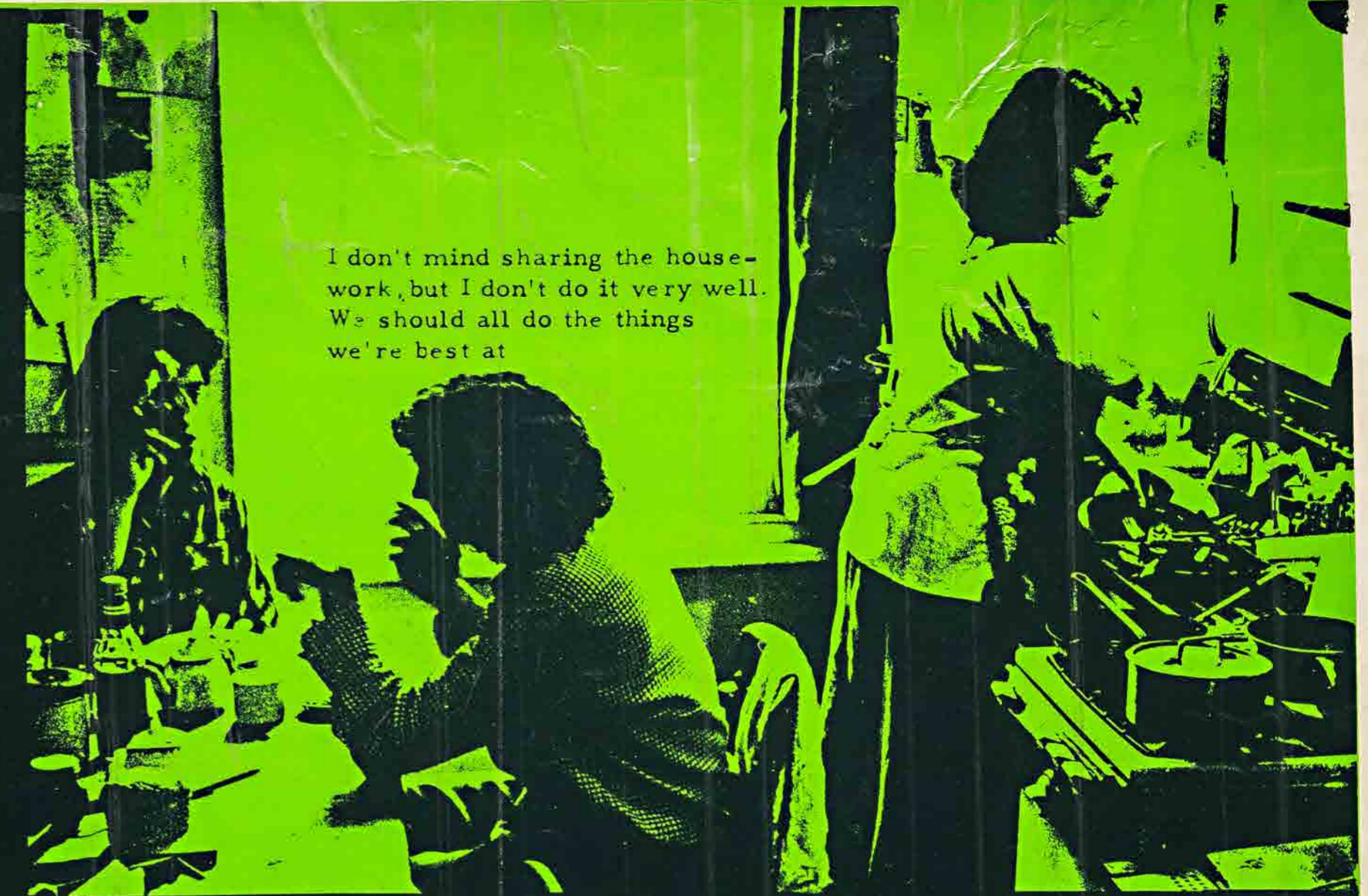


**Heard this one before?**

I don't mind sharing the work but I have to be shown how to do it

Meaning: I ask a lot of questions and you'll have to show me everything, every time I do it, because I don't remember so good.

Also meaning: I can provoke innumerable scenes over the housework issue. Eventually, doing the housework yourself will be less painful to you than trying to get me to do half.



I don't mind sharing the housework, but I don't do it very well. We should all do the things we're best at

Meaning: Unfortunately I'm no good at things like washing dishes and cooking. What I do best is a little light carpentry, changing light bulbs, moving furniture (how often do you move furniture?)

Also meaning: I don't like doing the stupid boring jobs, so you should do them.



Housework is too trivial even to talk about.

Meaning: It's even more trivial to do it. Housework is beneath my status. My purpose in life is to deal with matters of significance. Yours is to deal with matters of insignificance. You should do the housework.



Anyway, Women's Liberation isn't really a political movement

Meaning: I am only interested in how I am oppressed, not how I oppress others, therefore unemployment, the cuts etc. are political. Housework and Women's Liberation are not.

Also meaning: The revolution is coming too close to home.

**Too right, brothers ♀**

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