

## Card Sort

Cut out the 30 cards along the dotted lines.

- Ages 6-12 Arrange the cards in 3 piles;
  - Before reaching Karbala (11 cards)
  - Events at Karbala (12 cards)
  - After the battle (7 cards)
- Ages 13+ Arrange cards in chronological order.



**CARD 1**

Imam Ali Zain-ul Abideen, the women and children are taken captive.



**CARD 2**

Imam Husain's baby son, Ali Asghar, is martyred.



**CARD 3**

Yazid's army attacks Medina and Mecca.

They abuse women, kill companions of the Holy Prophet and set fire to the Kabaa.



**CARD 4**

Imam Husain receives letters from Kufa. He sends his cousin, named Muslim, to investigate.

Eighteen-thousand people greet Muslim and pledge their allegiance to Imam Husain.



**CARD 5**

Hurr gets instructions to make Imam Husain camp at a barren place; the land is called Karbala.



**CARD 6**

Before he leaves Medina, Imam Husain goes to the Holy Prophet's grave.

He says: "I am not rising for worldly power. I am forced to rise in the hope that I can reform people and lead them back to the right path."



### CARD 7

Captives are taken to Kufa and then paraded through villages and streets on their way to Yazid in Shaam.



### CARD 8

Yazid's army prevents Imam Husain from getting water from the River Euphrates.



### CARD 9

Imam Husain is martyred.

Soldiers loot his belongings and then trample his body with their horses.

Soldiers set Imam Husain's tents on fire.



### CARD 10

Nowadays, millions of people pay their respects to Imam Husain at the mosque built over his grave.

Although Imam Husain died on the plains of Karbala, his stand against injustice will live on as long there are tyrants and people to stand up against them.



### CARD 11

Imam Husain's eldest son, Imam Ali Zain-ul Abideen becomes severely ill before the battle.



### CARD 12

Muawiya signed a peace treaty with Imam Hasan.

As one of the conditions he agreed not to choose a leader after him.



### CARD 13

On his way to Kufa, Imam Husain is stopped by an elite commander named Hurr.

Imam Husain gives Hurr and his men water.

The soldiers offer salaa (prayers) behind Imam Husain.



### CARD 14

Imam Husain tells his family & companions they are free to leave.

Zuhayr says "I would rather be killed a thousand times over than see you shed a single drop of blood."



### CARD 15

Muawiya dies. Yazid becomes caliph of Muslims.

Yazid writes a letter to the Governor of Medina, Waleed, demanding allegiance from Imam Husain.



### CARD 16

Imam Husain leaves his hometown of Medina and goes to Mecca.



### CARD 17

Waleed summons Imam Husain to pledge allegiance to Yazid.

Imam Husain says "A person like me cannot pledge allegiance to a person like Yazid".



### CARD 18

Imam Ali Zain-ul Abideen and Zainab deliver powerful sermons in the court of Yazid.



### CARD 19

The noblemen of Kufa hear that Imam Husain left Medina and refused to pledge his allegiance to Yazid.

They gather in the house of Suleiman and write letters inviting Imam Husain to lead them.



### CARD 20

Before the battle begins, Hurr leaves the army of Yazid to join Imam Husain.



### CARD 21

Yazid imprisons the captives.

He releases them when he learns that people in many cities are raising flags of rebellion.



### CARD 22

Muawiya paves the way for his son, Yazid, to rule by bribing people.

Yazid is a drunken and faithless man.



### CARD 23

The battle of Karbala begins at sunrise. Yazid's army fires the first arrows.

After brave fighting, many of Imam Husain's companions are martyred.



### CARD 24

Abbas, the flag-bearer of Imam Husain, goes to fetch water for the children. He is martyred.

"Imam Husain says "Losing you is like breaking my back!"



**CARD 25**

Yazid finds out people of Kufa are siding with Muslim and have paid allegiance to Imam Husain.

He sends a ruthless man, Ibn Ziyad, to crush them.



**CARD 26**

Ali Akbar, Imam Husain's son, is the first family member to go to battle.

He says: "I will fight you to defend my father until my sword bends. Yazid and his father are usurpers. They will never rule us!"



**CARD 27**

Yazid is disgraced. No one knows how he died, his body was never found.

Zainab brings Yazid's crimes to light.

Imam Ali Zain-ul Abideen's prayers are gathered in a book.



**CARD 28**

Ibn Ziyad puts Kufa under curfew and bribes tribal leaders to stop supporting Muslim.

People abandon Muslim.

He is captured and pushed off the palace rooftop.



**CARD 29**

Imam Hasan's son, Qasim, is martyred as he bends down to tie his sandals.



**CARD 30**

Yazid's army starts charging towards Imam Husain's camp.

Imam Husain asks for one more night to pray.

1, 7, 18, 21, 3, 27, 10  
5, 8, 30, 14, 11, 20, 23, 26, 29, 24, 2, 9  
12, 22, 15, 17, 6, 16, 19, 4, 25, 28, 13

Answers