

Iqbal Intro

- Create a T-chart to compare and contrast your current living situation to the worst living conditions you have ever heard of. Think of as many factors as you can

My Life

Horrible living conditions

**MY
EXAMPLE**

Working as a teacher
from 7:00 – 4:00

Going home at night to
my puppies

Doing manual labor
from sunup to
sundown with little
to no break

Being all by myself not
knowing anyone

Iqbal...

- Rank your “My Life” factors in the order of importance according to you. 1 being the MOST IMPORTANT of all and the bigger number being the least important.
- In your WN, freewrite about how you would cope with your life if you had to deal with the “Horrible Living Conditions” you included in your chart?

Group Meeting #2

Plan of Action

- After finishing chapter 3, Iqbal tells Fatima, “We’ll run away. That’s what we’ll do.”
- Discuss with your group...is this realistic? Why or why not? What factors must Iqbal and Fatima consider before leaving?
- Create a Plan of Action. What steps would you take in order to escape? Record in WN

Group Meeting #3

- Iqbal physically slices the beautiful blue carpet. Besides a ruined carpet, what does this symbolize? List character trait words to describe Iqbal.
- In your WN, list these words. List at least 2 other characters from the book and their character traits as well. Provide proof from the text.

Group Meeting #4

Courage Under Fire

- Iqbal was courageous and passionate enough to stand up for child slavery.
- In your WN, brainstorm and record a list of different causes YOU would be willing to be brave and stand up for. Why are each of these so important to you?