

Sample Informational Presentation Outline

Slide 1 Title Slide	Images: 2022–2023 Protest in Iran; Woman, Life, Freedom Protest
Slide 2 Presenter: Student 1	Research Question: Who was Mahsa Amini? Details <ul style="list-style-type: none">● 22-year-old woman● Arrested for not wearing her headscarf properly● Severely beaten and tortured by police● Died from her injuries● Police deny any wrongdoing Images: Photograph of Mahsa Amini
Speaker notes: <p>Mahsa Amini was a 22-year-old Kurdish-Iranian woman who was killed by police. In September 2022, she was visiting her brother in Tehran (Iran's capital) when she was stopped and arrested by the police for allegedly not wearing her headscarf properly. In Iran, women are legally required to wear a headscarf to cover their hair in public. Mahsa was taken to prison, where, according to the other inmates, she was severely beaten and tortured by police. She was taken to the hospital and died there of her injuries. Although the police claim they are not responsible for her death and that the cause was a heart attack, medical records show that she died from being beaten in the head.</p>	

Slide 3
Presenter:
Student 2

Research Question: How did Iranians respond?

Details

- Street protests, boycotts
- Primarily led by young women
- Motto: "Woman, life, freedom!"
- Hundreds of thousands participated
- Women burned headscarves, cut hair

Images: Protesters gathering in large numbers in public spaces

Speaker Notes:

Iranians reacted to Mahsa Amini's death with widespread protests and acts of resistance against the government. Many of the protests were led by young women, who were angry about strict laws controlling women's clothing and behavior. Protesters marched in the streets, boycotted businesses connected to the government, and chanted the slogan "Woman, Life, Freedom." Some women publicly burned their headscarves and cut their hair as powerful symbols of protest. Hundreds of thousands of people across Iran participated in demonstrations, and people around the world held events to show their support. These actions show that many Iranians were demanding greater freedom and change from their government.

Slide 4
Presenter:
Student 3

Research Question: How did the government respond?

Details

- Limited internet access
- Shot into crowds, more than 500 killed
- More than 20,000 arrested, many children
- Some sentenced to death

Images: Organization during protest vs. chaos after protest

Speaker Notes:

The Iranian government responded to the protests with acts of repression and violence. To stop protestors from organizing and communicating online, they restricted access to social media and reduced internet speeds and cellular data altogether. Many protestors who gathered in the streets encountered armed police officers who beat them and shot into crowds. Over 500 people were killed in the protests. More than twenty thousand other people were arrested, many of whom were children. In fact, one Iranian official estimated that the average age of an arrested protester was just 15 years old. Several people have already been executed for participating in the protests, and many more have been sentenced to death.

Slide 5
Presenter:
Student 4

Research Question: *What has changed?*

Details

- The government is still in power
- Many women no longer wear headscarves
- No more arrests for not wearing headscarves
- 20,000 people pardoned for protests

Images: *A protester walking past a mural dedicated to the protest*

Speaker Notes:

Many protestors hoped that their actions would lead to the overthrow of a government they see as repressive. As of mid-2023, people stopped publicly protesting as often, but power was still held by the Iranian government. However, there have been some changes since the protests began. Headscarves have stopped being worn by many Iranian women, and it appears that the police are no longer enforcing this law. In March 2023, the Iranian government pardoned and released almost all people arrested in relation to the protests. Although people are no longer marching in the streets daily, many young Iranians remain hopeful and believe that the long-term impact of these protests is yet to be seen.

**Slide 6
(optional)**

Topic:

quotation → "The Islamic Republic took everything away from us
...but not hope."
– Masih Alinejad

Details

- Spoken by Masih Alinejad, Iranian-born journalist and activist
- She protested, this was her reaction
- It expresses her thoughts about Iran's present and future

Images: A young girl standing on top of a vehicle in a large group of protesters