

Iran's Possible Game Plan for Retaliation

Pre-Retaliatio phase

- Distracting US forces on multiple fronts via proxies
- Keeping the US and Israel below the threshold of war to prevent a possible pre-emptive strike
- Pressuring the world economy through threat of retaliation
- Degrading morale of Israel and the US by keeping them over-vigilant
- Exhausting/wearing down the defense vigilance through inflicted uncertainty
- Allowing the delineation of the lines of support
- Provoking divide within Israel society asking the resignation of Netanyahu Government
- Strengthening defensive capabilities against the US and Israeli counter-retaliatory strikes

Retaliation phase

- Intensifying proxy attacks to disperse and degrade defense capabilities
- Saturating Iron Dome through cost-effective rocket fires
- Coordinating attacks of Hezbollah and Ansarullah from different directions
- High intensity attacks that will damage critical infrastructure of Israel (Haifa, Tel Aviv, Eilat)
- Mobilizing the Palestinians in the West Bank

Counter-Retaliatio phase

- *(If the US responds and Israel inflicts significant damage)*
- Refraining destruction from the US sophisticated strikes
- Targeting the US bases in the Arab countries that are facilitating the defense of Israel during the retaliation phase
- Targeting the US Carrier Strike Group and other naval assets with unmanned naval drones, and hypersonic missiles
- Responding to create a greater damage to Israel
- Initiating a ground offensive via Hezbollah once the strikes degrades Israel's defense (depending on the severity of the counter retaliatory strikes)

