**Handout 37a: Card sort for the different stages of evacuation during the Second World War**

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| **January 1940**: Almost 60% evacuees returned home | **7 September 1940**: Blitz began. Children evacuated/re-evacuated |
| **1–4 September 1939**: ‘Operation Pied Piper’ began. 3 million evacuated, many of them children | **13–18 June 1940**: Following German occupation of France, approximately 100,000 children evacuated/re-evacuated |
| Approximately 14 million Russian civilians died in the Second World War | Children were labelled like pieces of luggage, separated from their parents and accompanied by an army of teachers |
| **June 1944**: German V1 rocket attacks on Britain began. 1 million evacuated from London | **11.07 am on Thursday 31 August 1939**: ‘Evacuate forthwith!’ announcement broadcast |
| **2009**: First national memorial commemorating evacuation planned | **By May 1941**: 43,000 killed across Britain and 1.4 million homeless |
| Before war started, 4 million civilian casualties predicted in London alone | **Sunday 3 September 1939**: Britain declared war on Germany |
| **May 1945**: Second World War ended – V1 rocket attacks cease | **End of 1941**:city centres, especially London, became safer |