

Overview of the 3rd Age of the Lord of the Rings

The overview below can provide a systematic way of creating battles, based on the LOTR books, following the story from year 1 to year 3020, when the final elements of Saruman's evil are destroyed.

Battle of Dagorlad: A battle where the Last Alliance of Elves and Men fought against Sauron's forces. Year 3434 SA. The Battle of Dagorlad was the last major battle from the 2nd Age conflicts in the War of the Ring – Use this battle as a Rule Test for a large scale battle

3rd Age Conflicts from the War of the Ring

- First invasion of the Easterlings. **Year 490**
- Tarostar defeats the Easterlings. **Year 500**
- Earnil seizes Umbar. **Years 933**
- Ciryaher conquers Harad & a shadow falls over Greenwood, which men then start to call Mirkwood. **Year 1050**
- The Istari & Chief Eldar discover an evil power has made a stronghold at Dol Guldur. **Year 1100**
- Minalcar defeats a large army of Easterlings. **Year 1248**
- The Nazgul reappear. The Witch-king founds the Kingdom of Angmar. Orcs increase in the Misty Mountains & attack the Dwarves. **Year 1300**
- The Witch-king of Angmar invades Arnor. **Year 1409**
- Battle of the Crossings of Erui. **Year 1447**
- Siege of Pelagir. **Year 1447**
- Seizure of the Haven of Umbar. **Year 1448**
- The Great Plague hits Middle Earth. **Year 1635-7**
- The capital of Gondor is moved to Minas Anor. **Year 1640**
- Telumehtar conquers the Haven of Umbar. **Year 1810**
- Angmar temporarily defeated. Easterlings attack Gondor. **Year 1851**
- Gondor defeats the Easterlings. **Year 1899**
- Wainrider attacks resume on Gondor's eastern front. **Year 1944**
- Destruction of the Kingdom of Arnor. **Year 1974**
- Frumgar drives the remnants of Angmar from the northern vales of Anduin. **Year 1977**
- Durin's Bane awakes in Khazad-dum. War with the Dwarves. **Year 1980**
- The Nazgul from Mordor, besiege Minas Ithil. **Year 2000**
- The Witch-king kills the last king of Gondor & the rule of the Stewards begins. **Year 2043**
- Sauron active in Dol Guldur. **Year 2060**
- Sauron flees Dol Guldur. **Year 2063**
- Boromir defends Osgiliath. **Year 2475**
- Dunlendings capture Isengard. **Year 2710**
- Orcs invade Eriador. **Year 2740**
- Battle of Greenfields: A battle between hobbits of the Shire, led by Bandobras Took and orcs led by King Golfimbul from Mount Gram. **Year 2047**

- Orcs driven out of Eriador. **Year 2748**
- Umbar attacks Gondor. **Year 2758**
- Easterlings & Dunlendings invade Rohan. **Year 2758**
- Edoras recaptured. **Year 2759**
- Destruction of Dale by Smaug. **Year 2770**
- **Battle of the Field of Celebrant:** A significant battle between the Dwarves of the Blue Mountains and Orcs. **April 15 2510**
- **War of the Dwarves and Orcs:** The war was triggered by the murder of Thrór, King under the mountain by the orc leader Azog inside the mines of Moria A long war that began in 2793, culminating in the **Year 2793**
- **Battle of Azanulbizar or Nanduhirion (Dimrill Dale):** The end of the War of the Dwarves and Orcs. **Year 2799**
- Orcs invade Rohan. **Year 2800**
- Orc raids end in Rohan. **Year 2864**
- Wargs invade Eriador. **Year 2911**
- Bilbo gains the Ring. **Year 2941**
- **Battle of Five Armies:** Where Elves, Dwarves, and Men fought against Goblins and Wargs after the death of Smaug. **December 17 2941**
- Sauron driven from Dol Guldur. **Year 2941**
- Sauron returns to Mordor. **Year 2942**
- Three Nazgul reoccupy Dol Guldur. **Year 2951**
- Dale rebuilt. **Year 2944**
- Saruman begins breeding Orcs. **Year 2990**
- Moria Orcs destroy Balin's Dwarf colony. **Year 2994**
- Gollum captured & taken to Barad-dur. **Year 3017**
- **The War of the Ring begins. Year 3018**
- Thranduil's Eleven Kingdom assailed in Mirkwood. **Year 3018**
- Orcs take Osgiliath & the lands east of Anduin under Mordor control. **Year 3018**
- Frodo reaches Rivendell & the Fellowship of the Ring is formed. **Year 3018**
- Gandalf fights the Balrog in the Mines of Moria. **Year 3019**
- Boromir dies defending Merry & Pippin from Saruman's Uruk-hai. **Year 3019**
- Gandalf returns as The White Wizard. **Year 3019**
- **Battle of Helm's Deep:** Theoden defends Rohan. **3-4 March Year 3019**
- **Battle of the Fords of Isen:** A series of battles in which Théodred, son of King Théoden, was killed. **February 25 3019**
- **Battle of Isengard:** The Ents attack and destroy Saruman's stronghold. **March 3 3019**
- **Siege of Minas Tirith:** Sauron's forces besieged the capital city of Gondor before the Battle of the Pelennor Fields. **March 10 3019**
- **Battle of the Pelennor Fields:** The largest single battle in the War of the Ring, fought in front of Minas Tirith. **March 14-15 3019**

- Battle of the Morannon: A final, desperate battle fought at the Black Gate of Mordor. **March 25 3019**
- **The One Ring is Destroyed. Year 3019**
- Battle of Bywater: A final battle in the Shire, where the hobbits defeated Saruman's ruffians. **November 3 3019**
- Druedain destroy the remnants of Saruman's Orcs. **Year 3020**
- **The End of the War of the Ring. Year 3021**