


Exam 4—The Major Prophets

Major Prophets

1. Why are the books of Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel, and Daniel called the Major Prophets?

2. In which Old Testament eras did the Major Prophets minister? In the boxes, write the era names and the prophets for each era.



Isaiah

3. Name two of the four kings of Judah who reigned during Isaiah’s ministry.

4. Read the following Isaiah passages. Beside each reference in the table below, summarize what that passage says about the predicted Messiah.

References	Messianic prophecies
7:10–14	
9:2–7	
11:1–4, 10	
40:6–11	
42:1–7	
52:13–53:12	
61:1–2	

Jeremiah

5. Read Jeremiah 1:4–10. Summarize what happened when the Lord called Jeremiah.
6. In the chart below, give a meaning for each of the symbols. Numbers in parentheses are chapter numbers.

Symbol	Meaning
Linen waistband (13)	
No marriage (16)	
Potter and clay (18)	
Broken jar (19)	
Purchased field (32)	

7. Read Jeremiah 31:31–37 and Hebrews 8:8–12. List some of the benefits of the new covenant that Christians enjoy today.

Lamentations

8. Use a separate sheet of paper to compare the five songs of Lamentations with Deuteronomy 28. Look for similar phrases and concepts, and make a chart showing the parallel elements. Then summarize your observations and thoughts in a final paragraph.
9. What do you think is the significance of the third song (chapter 3) in this book?

Ezekiel

10. Describe Ezekiel's vision (chapter 1). What do you think the vision says about God?

11. In the chart below, describe the action found in each reference and explain what the action was intended to symbolize.

Reference	Action	Meaning
4:1–3		
4:4–8		
4:9–17		
5:1–17		

12. What are the two visions in chapter 37? What do they teach about Judah's future?

Daniel

13. Describe two of the ways Daniel and his friends demonstrated their trust in God.

14. Compare the vision of the image (chapter 2) with the vision of the beasts (7). Both visions describe dominant Gentile empires. Describe each element of the statue, each beast, and each corresponding kingdom; then tell what the symbols say about each of the kingdoms.

Vision and symbols	Description of symbols	Kingdoms	Meaning
Statue Head Chest and arms Belly and thighs Legs Feet			
Beasts Lion Bear Leopard Ten-horned monster			