

The Old Testament

1. HISTORICAL BOOKS	2. PROPHETS
CRITICAL METHOD	CRITICAL METHOD
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Who wrote the book?</i> • <i>When was it written?</i> • <i>To whom was it written?</i> • <i>From where was written?</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Same as historical books</i>
LITERARY METHOD	LITERARY METHOD
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>What kinds of literature are in the book? If several, list them and note where found.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Same as historical books</i>
HISTORICAL METHOD	HISTORICAL METHOD
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Give rough dates for major historical events.</i> • <i>What was God doing in Israel's history at this time?</i> • <i>Which people & leaders was he using?</i> • <i>Who were the surrounding nations? Note their importance in this book.</i> • <i>Who were Israel's enemies at this time & how was God using them?</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Note personal details of prophet</i> • <i>Dates for significant historical events.</i> • <i>What is the political situation?</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Which world powers are dominant?</i> ○ <i>Israel and/or Judah's political situation.</i> ○ <i>Alliances or important battles.</i> • <i>What is the religious situation in Judah?</i> • <i>Who are the Kings reigning in Israel and/or Judah and the significant surrounding nations. Give dates of their reigns.</i> • <i>List any contemporary prophets & note where they are prophesying.</i>
SURVEY METHOD	SURVEY METHOD
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>What is the main idea of this book?</i> • <i>Which aspects of God's character does the book emphasise?</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Same as historical books</i>
	<p style="text-align: center;">3. WISDOM BOOKS</p> <p>CRITICAL & LITERARY METHOD <i>Same as historical books</i></p> <p>SURVEY METHOD <i>What is main idea of the book?</i> <i>What is major reason it was written?</i> <i>Which aspects of God's character does it emphasise?</i></p>