

More Books of Poetry

In this exercise you will get a chance to sample five more poetical books in the Old Testament and the Apocrypha.

1. Read **Job 21:1-34**. Check the four statements which describe this chapter.
 - I have a complaint; God is not fair!
 - Evil people live a good, long life.
 - God always punishes wicked people.
 - Everybody dies sometime.
 - My friends cannot comfort me.

2. Read **Song of Songs 2:8-3:5** and check four right descriptions.
 - A man and a woman are in love.
 - Spring is the time for falling in love.
 - The boy found his girlfriend in the country.
 - The girl found her boyfriend in the city.
 - Lovers should not be interrupted.

3. Read **Lamentations 2:1-22** and check four correct descriptions.
 - Yahweh loves Jerusalem and makes his people happy.
 - Jerusalem and the temple have been destroyed.
 - Yahweh allowed the enemy to defeat his own people.
 - The king is in exile.
 - The people can only beg Yahweh for mercy.

4. Read the **Song of the Three Young Men, vv. 28-68** and circle the five things which are **not** asked to "Praise the Lord."
 - sky - sun - summer - stars - snow - spiders - storm clouds - snakes
 - springs - slaves - sea creatures - shadows - servants of Yahweh

5. Read the **Prayer of Manasseh, vv. 1-15** and check the four correct descriptions.
 - This is a prayer of repentance.
 - I have lived a good and holy life.
 - God created everything.
 - God is merciful and forgiving.
 - I confess that I have sinned against the Lord.