S-O-M-E O = OBSERVATION **THOUGHT DIAGRAM** [To get better acquainted with the parts of the text] Linking **Empowering** Words V Words **Pers**ons Helpers Locators Places **Things** "Therefore, tell the people of 'This Israel, is what the Sovereign LORD says: Repent and turn away from idols, <u>your</u> <u>and</u> stop all detestable sins. <u>your</u> 7 I, the LORD, will answer all those, **both** <u>Israelites</u> <u>and</u> foreigners, who reject <u>and</u> me idols set up <u>in</u> their hearts and so

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EVENT/ACTION LIST [To reassemble the parts in bite-sized events/actions that make sense]
V Line Thought/Event/Action
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<sup>6</sup> "Therefore,

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tell the people of Israel,

'This is what the Sovereign LORD says:

Repent and turn away from your idols, 3 4 and stop all your detestable sins. I, the LORD, will answer 1 all those, both Israelites and foreigners, 3 who reject me and set up idols in their hearts 4 and so fall into sin, 4 and who then come to a prophet 5 6 asking for my advice. I will turn against such people 1 2 and make a terrible example of them, 3 eliminating them from among my people. **Then** you will know that I am the LORD. 4 <sup>9</sup> 'And if a prophet is deceived into giving a message, 1 it is because I, the LORD, have deceived that prophet. 2 I will lift my fist against such prophets 3 4 and cut them off from the community of Israel. False prophets and those who seek their guidance 2 will all be punished for their sins. In this way, the people of Israel 1 2 will learn not to stray from me, polluting themselves with sin. 3 4 They will be my people, 5 and I will be their God. 6 I, the Sovereign LORD, have spoken!' **FLOW CHART** [To capture the way the writer connected everything in the text into one, continuous stream of thought or story] Words/Catchwords/Catchphrases Link V. Line "Therefore. Introduces something based on what happened before tell the people of Israel, God feels the need to address the people based on verses 1-5 1

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	2	'This is what the Sovereign LORD says:	The LORD gives His take on the situation	
	3	Repent and turn away from your idols,	The LORD demands that the people end their idolatry	
	4	and stop all your detestable sins.	The LORD adds a demand that they stop breaking His Law	
7	1	I, the LORD, will answer	The LORD continues to respond to the people	
	3 4	all those, both Israelites and foreigners, who reject me and set up idols in their hearts	The LORD identifies His audience by nationality The LORD identifies His audience as those who have rejected Him to embrace Babylonian idols	
	4	and so fall into sin,	The LORD spells out the results of rejecting Him as sinning	
	5	and who then come to a prophet	The LORD adds an additional crime	
	6	asking for my advice.	Pretending they want Him to show them how to live	
8	1	l will turn against such people	The LORD announces that He will reject those who have rejected Him	
	2	and make a terrible example of them,	The LORD adds another consequence of their defection: make them a warning to others	
	3	eliminating them from among my people.	The LORD describes how He will make them a warning: disown them from His family	
-	<u>Then</u>		After that, or as a result	
	4	you will know that I am the LORD.	The defectors will realize that the LORD is boss	
9 '	And if		The LORD adds another possibility	
	1	a prophet is deceived into giving a message,	a divine spokesperson is tricked into delivering a communication from heaven	
	2	it is because I, the LORD, have deceived that pro-	rophet. The LORD explains how this might happen	
	3	I will lift my fist against such prophets	The LORD announces that He will oppose such false prophets	
	4	and cut them off from the community of Israel.	The LORD adds how He will oppose them: he will not allow them to have anything to do with Israel	
10	1	False prophets and those who seek their guidance Phony spokespersons and those who pretend they want their advice		
	2	will all be punished for their sins.	The LORD announces the penalty for every idolater	
11	1	In this way, the people of Israel	This is how the people who live in the Promised Land	
	2	will learn not to stray from me,	The LORD announces the outcome of this punishment: they will discover that they should never let go of Me	
	3	polluting themselves with sin.	The LORD equates desertion with poisoning themselves with disobedience	
	4	They will be my people,	Another outcome of this punishment: the LORD will take them back	
	5	and I will be their God.	The LORD adds another outcome: He will reconcile with them	
	6	I, the Sovereign LORD, have spoken!'	The unstoppable One guarantees this by saying it cannot be revoked	

**BLUEPRINT** [To capture the way the writer developed a story from events and actions, or wove thoughts into an idea or argument]

	Line	Events/Actions	Adds/Fills/Brings	
6	" <u>Therefore</u> ,			
	1	tell the people of Israel,	Adds	
	2	'This is what the Sovereign LORD says:	Fills	
	3	Repent and turn away from your idols,	Adds	
	4	and stop all your detestable sins.	Adds	
7	1	I, the LORD, will answer	Fills	
	3	all those, both Israelites and foreigners,	Fills	
	4	who reject me and set up idols in their hearts	Fills	
	4	and so fall into sin,	Fills	
	5	and who then come to a prophet	Fills	
	6	asking for my advice.	Fills	
8	1	I will turn against such people	Adds	
	2	and make a terrible example of them,	Brings	
	3	eliminating them from among my people.	Fills	
	<u>Then</u>			
	4	you will know that I am the LORD.	Fills	
9	And if			
	1	a prophet is deceived into giving a message,	Adds	
	2	it is because I, the LORD, have deceived that pe	<u>rophet</u> . Fills	
	3	I will lift my fist against such prophets	Adds	
	4	$\underline{\text{and}}\;\underline{\text{cut}}\;\underline{\text{them}}\;\underline{\text{off}}\;\underline{\text{from}}\;\underline{\text{the community}}\;\underline{\text{of Israel}}.$	Brings	
10	1	False prophets and those who seek their guidant	nce Fills	
	2	will all be punished for their sins.	Fills	
11	1	In this way, the people of Israel	Fills	
	2	will learn not to stray from me,	Fills	
	3	polluting themselves with sin.	Fills	
	4	They will be my people,	Brings	
	5	and I will be their God.	Brings	

6 I, the Sovereign LORD, have spoken!' Fills **ROUGH DRAFT** [To get a rough idea of the passage from what you've learned so far] **Events/Actions** Simple Explanation V. Line "Therefore. So 1 tell the people of Israel, Let the exiles in Babylon know 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: Here's My take on the situation 2 Repent and turn away from your idols, Give up your false gods 3 4 and stop all your detestable sins. And quit breaking my law I, the LORD, will answer 1 I the Eternal One will respond to all those, both Israelites and foreigners, 3 Everyone among the exiles who reject me and set up idols in their hearts 4 Who deserted me and gave the affection to false gods they used to give to me 4 and so fall into sin, consequently, joining my enemies 5 and them have the nerve to approach one of my spokespersons and who then come to a prophet 6 asking for my advice. As if they still care about what I think 1 I will turn against such people I will become hostile to folks like this 2 and make a terrible example of them, and make them scary warnings of what happens to my enemies 3 eliminating them from among my people. Disowning them from my extended family Then 4 you will know that I am the LORD. You will finally realize who you are dealing with <sup>9</sup> 'And if one of my mouthpieces is tricked into delivering a communication to them from me 1 a prophet is deceived into giving a message, it is because I, the LORD, have deceived that prophet. On account of being fooled by me 2 3 I will lift my fist against such prophets I will treat such mouthpieces as my enemies 4 and cut them off from the community of Israel. And separate them from my extended family circle 10 1 False prophets and those who seek their guidance Phony mouthpieces as well as whoever consults them 2 will all be punished for their sins. Will get their hides tanned for their crimes 1 In this way, the people of Israel This is how the exiles in Babylon 2 will learn not to stray from me, will discover not to wander off from me polluting themselves with sin. Contaminating themselves with crimes 3 They will be my people, Those who return to me will be my extended family 4

- 5 and I will be their God. And I will be their Creator, again
- 6 I, the Sovereign LORD, have spoken!' I, the unstoppable one have put this into words that cannot be challenged or changed

# **BIOGRAPHIES**

the people of Israel descendants of Jacob after his conversion

The Sovereign LORD the unstoppable One

all those, both Israelites and foreigners, everyone, homegrown plus born outside the Promised Land

who reject me whoever deserts the LORD

and set up idols in their hearts give to false gods the love they should give to the LORD

and so fall into sin trip and tumble into crimes against the LORD

who then come to a prophet asking for my advice. Pretend that they want to live God's way

my people the LORD's extended family

a prophet a mouthpiece for God who tie the past to the present as well as the future

false prophets phony mouthpieces for God

their God. Their Creator

## **GEOGRAPHIES**

from your idols separate from your idols, leave your idols behind

in their hearts inside their hearts

into sin moved to an unlawful place

to a prophet make a prophet the destination

against such people turn hostile toward idol worshipers

from among my people separate, or banish from my extended family

into giving a message moved to deliver a message

against such prophets turn hostile toward phony mouthpieces for God

off from the community at a distance from the community

In this way by this way

From me separated, or banished from the LORD

#### **PROFILES**

'<u>This</u> = <u>what</u> the Sovereign LORD has to say

Idols false gods All detestable sins every deliberate act of rebellion Hearts the core, or innermost part Advice guidance A terrible example a scary warning That I am the LORD a message that prophet fist a clenched hand ready to hit someone or something the community the family circle guidance direction, information, instruction this way False prophets and those who seek their guidance will all be punished for their sins **WORD STUDIES** Tell inform Is To exist Says to put into words Repent change your mind Turn way reject/desert/leave behind Stop quit/cease and desist Will answer reply or respond to Reject abandon/desert/discard Set up establish, erect Fall trip and tumble **Come** approach Asking request, inquire, seek, search for Will turn a promise to change attitude Make cause to become

**Eliminating** banishing Will know will realize/recognize/come to know Am to exist Is deceived tricked **Giving** deliver Will lift raise as if to threaten harm Cut sever, cleave, chop Seek search for, solicit help from Will be punished promise to make pay for/repay To stray to wander from, lose the way Will learn finally understand Polluting to contaminate/taint/stain Will be promise that something will happen Have spoken to say something and nothing or no one can undo or change it For points to goal Of consist of, made up from Not points to the opposite With by means of **INSIGHTS** Thought/Event/Action V Line "Therefore, The LORD reacts to their request for information about returning home by

		<del></del> ,	The Letter reduce to their request to three matters about returning them by
	1 2	tell the people of Israel,  'This is what the Sovereign LORD says:	telling them what they need to do before they can go back.
	3	Repent and turn away from your idols,	
	4	and stop all your detestable sins.	
7	1	I, the LORD, will answer	The LORD underscores the truth about the fall and exile: whether Jew or
	3 4	all those, both Israelites and foreigners, who reject me and set up idols in their he	Gentile, he considers them idol worshipers and will treat them the same arts

4	and so fall into sin,	
5	and who then come to a prophet	
6	asking for my advice.	
8 1	I will turn against such people	Idolatry turns God against Jews and Gentiles, and disqualifies them from
2	and make a terrible example of them,	having anything to do with God's extended family
3	eliminating them from among my people.	
<u>Then</u>		
4	you will know that I am the LORD.	
<sup>9</sup> ' <u>And</u> <u>if</u>		Not even prophets are immune from God's wrath for idolatry
1	a prophet is deceived into giving a message,	
2	it is because I, the LORD, have deceived that prophet.	
3	I will lift my fist against such prophets	
4	4 and cut them off from the community of Israel.	
<sup>10</sup> 1	1 False prophets and those who seek their guidance Whether prophet or pretender, the LORD treats them the same	
2	will all be punished for their sins.	
<sup>11</sup> 1	In this way, the people of Israel	Treating idolaters the same, whether Jew or Gentile, prophet or pretender
2	will learn not to stray from me,	is the way to get them back and stop them from breaking My law
3	polluting themselves with sin.	
4	They will be my people,	
5	and I will be their God.	
6	I, the Sovereign LORD, have spoken!'	
INTERPRETATION		

ne	Thought/Event/Action	Interpretation	
<sup>6</sup> " <u>Therefore</u> ,		So, because some of the people in charge of the exiles are pretending they are still loyal to Me	
	tell the people of Israel,	Inform the descendants of Jacob after his conversion	
	'This is what the Sovereign LORD says:	what the unstoppable One has to say	
	Repent and turn away from your idols,	change your mind as well as reject/desert/leave behind your false gods	
	and stop all your detestable sins.	Plus, on top of that, quit/cease and desist every deliberate act of rebellion	
	I, the LORD, will answer	I, the Eternal One will; reply or respond to	
		tell the people of Israel,  'This is what the Sovereign LORD says:  Repent and turn away from your idols,  and stop all your detestable sins.	

all those, both Israelites and foreigners, everyone, homegrown plus whoever was born outside the Promised Land

who reject me and set up idols in their hearts who abandon/desert/discard the Eternal One as well as establish, or erect false gods inside their cores, or innermost parts

- 4 and so fall into sin,
- 5 and who then come to a prophet
- 6 <u>asking for my advice</u>.
- 1 <u>I will turn against such people</u>
  - 2 and make a terrible example of them,
  - 3 <u>eliminating them from among my people</u>.

## <u>Then</u>

4 you will know that I am the LORD.

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- 1 <u>a prophet is deceived into giving a message</u>,
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