

S-O-M-E O = OBSERVATION

THOUGHT DIAGRAM [To get better acquainted with the parts of the text]

	Linking Words	Persons	Empowering Words	Helpers	Locators	Places	Things
21	"Now						this
			is				what
			the Sovereign LORD				
			says:	How			terrible
			will be				it
			when				all four
				of			these dreadful punishments
			fall upon			Jerusalem	—war, famine, wild animals, and disease—
			destroying				all
						her	
		people					and
							animals.
22	Yet						
			will be				there
			survivors,				
			and				
		they	will come			here	
			to join				
		you					
		as					
		exiles			in	Babylon.	
		You	will see	with			
		your					own eyes
				how			wicked
		they	are,				
			and then				
		you	will feel better	about			what
		I	have done		to	Jerusalem.	
23	When						
		you	meet				
		them	and				
			see				
		their					behavior,
		you	will understand				that these things
			are	not			
			being done		to		
		Israel		without			cause.
			I, the Sovereign LORD,				
			have spoken!"				

EVENT/ACTION LIST [To reassemble the parts in bite-sized events/actions that make sense]**V Line Thought/Event/Action**

21 **“Now**
 1 this is what the Sovereign LORD says:
 2 How terrible it will be
when
 3 all four of these dreadful punishments
 4 fall upon Jerusalem
 5 —war, famine, wild animals, and disease—
 6 destroying all her people and animals.

22 **Yet**
 1 there will be survivors,
and
 2 they will come here
 3 to join you
as
 4 exiles in Babylon.
 5 You will see with your own eyes
 6 how wicked they are,

and then
 7 you will feel better about
 8 what I have done to Jerusalem.

23 **When**
 1 you meet them
and
 2 see their behavior,
 3 you will understand
 4 that these things
 5 are not being done to Israel
 6 without cause.
 7 I, the Sovereign LORD,
 8 have spoken!”

FLOW CHART [To capture the way the writer connected everything in the text into one, continuous stream of thought or story]

V.	Line	Words/Catchwords/Catchphrases	Link
21		“Now	Introduces what’s next after what the previous passage said
	1	<u>this is what the Sovereign LORD says:</u>	Announces what follows as a divine message
	2	<u>How terrible it will be</u>	Brings out the extent or degree of the coming judgment
		when	At the time that
	3	<u>all four of these dreadful punishments</u>	Rolls the four punishments from the previous passage into one catastrophe
	4	<u>fall upon Jerusalem</u>	aims the combined disaster at the capital of Israel
	5	<u>—war, famine, wild animals, and disease—</u>	reminds us of the four punishments to play up how terrible
	6	<u>destroying all her people and animals.</u>	Describes extent of the catastrophe and explains how terrible it will be

22	Yet		But at the same time, or nevertheless
1	<u>there will be survivors,</u>		Some of the citizens of Jerusalem and their livestock and pets
	and		plus, or as well as
2	<u>they will come here</u>		the escapees will come to Babylon
3	<u>to join you</u>		to join the exiles
	as		like
4	<u>exiles in Babylon.</u>		Fugitives already at the colony in Babylon
5	<u>You will see with your own eyes</u>		The people already in exile will witness
6	<u>how wicked they are,</u>		Brings out the extent or degree of the escapees' ungodliness
	and then		So, on top of that
7	<u>you will feel better about</u>		The people already in exile will appreciate
8	<u>what I have done to Jerusalem.</u>		Judging the capital so harshly
23	When		At the time that
1	<u>you meet them</u>		The people already in exile see the escapees in person
	and		plus
2	<u>see their behavior,</u>		witness the way they live
3	<u>you will understand</u>		The people already in exile will recognize
4	<u>that these things</u>		whatever happened
5	<u>are not being done to Israel</u>		didn't happen to the nation
6	<u>without cause.</u>		Minus a good reason
7	<u>I, the Sovereign LORD,</u>		The Eternal One verbally signs His name
8	<u>have spoken!"</u>		at the end of the message

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

V. Line	Events/Actions	Adds/Fills/Brings
21	Now	
1	<u>this is what the Sovereign LORD says:</u>	Adds
2	<u>How terrible it will be</u>	Brings
	when	
3	<u>all four of these dreadful punishments</u>	Brings
4	<u>fall upon Jerusalem</u>	Fill
5	<u>—war, famine, wild animals, and disease—</u>	Fill
6	<u>destroying all her people and animals.</u>	Fill
22	Yet	
1	<u>there will be survivors,</u>	Brings
	and	
2	<u>they will come here</u>	Brings
3	<u>to join you</u>	Fill
	as	
4	<u>exiles in Babylon.</u>	Fill
5	<u>You will see with your own eyes</u>	Adds
6	<u>how wicked they are,</u>	Fill
	and then	

7	<u>you will feel better about</u>	Bring
8	<u>what I have done to Jerusalem.</u>	Fill
23	When	
1	<u>you meet them</u>	Fill
	and	
2	<u>see their behavior,</u>	Fill
3	<u>you will understand</u>	Bring
4	<u>that these things</u>	Fill
5	<u>are not being done to Israel</u>	Fill
6	<u>without cause.</u>	Fill
7	<u>I, the Sovereign LORD,</u>	Fill
8	<u>have spoken!”</u>	Fill

ROUGH DRAFT [To get a rough idea of the passage from what you’ve learned so far]

V. Line	Events/Actions	Simple Explanation
21	Now	Next, or currently
1	<u>this is what the Sovereign LORD says:</u>	What follows comes from God’s lips
2	<u>How terrible it will be</u>	It will be just awful
	when	At the time that
3	<u>all four of these dreadful punishments</u>	All four catastrophes we imagined would happen
4	<u>fall upon Jerusalem</u>	Actually land together on your capital city
5	<u>— war, famine, wild animals, and disease—</u>	Mortal combat, starvation, brute beasts, plus plague
6	<u>destroying all her people and animals.</u>	Wiping out every living thing
22	Yet	In spite of that
1	<u>there will be survivors,</u>	Some will escape
	and	plus
2	<u>they will come here</u>	those who escape will travel to Babylon
3	<u>to join you</u>	to meet you
	as	like
4	<u>exiles in Babylon.</u>	Deportees to Babylon
5	<u>You will see with your own eyes</u>	You exiles will eyewitness
6	<u>how wicked they are,</u>	the true extent of their ungodliness
	and then	so after that
7	<u>you will feel better about</u>	you exiles will have a more accurate appreciation of
8	<u>what I have done to Jerusalem.</u>	The judgment passed on your capital city
23	When	At the time
1	<u>you meet them</u>	you exiles make contact with the refugees in person
	and	as well as
2	<u>see their behavior,</u>	eyeball the way they live
3	<u>you will understand</u>	you exiles will realize
4	<u>that these things</u>	that these combined catastrophes
5	<u>are not being done to Israel</u>	aren’t happening to your fellow countrymen

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| 6 | <u>without cause.</u> | In the absence of a good reason |
| 7 | <u>I, the Sovereign LORD,</u> | I, the irreversible One |
| 8 | <u>have spoken!"</u> | say this and no one or nothing can overrule Me |

BIOGRAPHIES

The Sovereign LORD	The Eternal One who does as He pleases and no one or nothing can stop Him
Her people	Citizens
Survivors	Those who appear to escape judgment
Exiles	Refugees, or deportees from the Promised Land
Israel	Descendants of Jacob after his conversion

GEOGRAPHIES

Jerusalem, there	The capital of the Promised Land
Babylon, here	The place where God sent the exiles
In Babylon	In pagan, enemy territory outside the Promised Land
To Jerusalem	Aimed or directed at the capital of the Promised Land
To Israel	Aimed or directed at the citizens of the Promised Land

PROFILES

Terrible	Severe, terrifying, painful
All four	The entire quartet
These dreadful punishments	These hurtful, miserable and deserved divine actions
War	Deadly combat
Famine	Starvation
Wild Animals	Untamed beasts
Disease	Plague
All	Every, or entire
Animals	Domesticated, tamed, livestock, pets
Own eyes	Eyeballs, organs of sight
Wicked	The opposite of God's way
Behavior	Lifestyle
Cause	Reason, or grounds for something

WORD STUDIES

Is	Exist, occur, take place, state, quality, identity, nature
Says	To put into words
Will be	future (Exist, occur, take place, state, quality, identity, nature)
Fall upon	Land on
Will come	will (approach, arrive)
Destroying	To demolish, ruin, annihilate, lay waste, kill, slay
To join	To unite

Will see	To perceive, notice, discover
Are	Exist, occur, take place, state, quality, identity, nature
Will feel better	To comfort, console (soothe)
Have done	Perform, make happen
Meet	To come together, encounter
Will understand	To have the same idea as the speaker, get the meaning of
Have spoken	To talk, to express in words
How	To the extent or degree
Of	Made out of, consisting of
With	By means of
About	On the subject of, regarding, concerning
Not	The negative, the opposite
Without	In the absence of, not having the use or benefit of

INSIGHTS

V Line Thought/Event/Action

²¹ “**Now** this is what the Sovereign LORD says: How terrible it will be when all four of these dreadful punishments fall upon Jerusalem—war, famine, wild animals, and disease—destroying all her people and animals.”

Nothing can stop all four catastrophes from happening to Jerusalem.

²² **Yet** there will be survivors, and they will come here to join you as exiles in Babylon. You will see with your own eyes how wicked they are, and then you will feel better about what I have done to Jerusalem.”

The LORD will spare some of the city-dwellers from destruction, but they won’t escape exile.

²³ **When** you meet them and see their behavior, you will understand that these things are not being done to Israel without cause. I, the Sovereign LORD, have spoken!”

Seeing them face to face will convince you I did the right thing to Jerusalem.

INTERPRETATION

V Line Thought/Event/Action

Interpretation

²¹ “ Now		Next, or after that
1	<u>this is what the Sovereign LORD says:</u>	What follows comes directly from the Unstoppable One
2	<u>How terrible it will be</u>	The future is just awful
	when	At the time
3	<u>all four of these dreadful punishments</u>	The entire quartet of the hurtful, miserable and deserved divine actions in verses 13–20
4	<u>fall upon Jerusalem</u>	Land on the city
5	<u>—war, famine, wild animals, and disease—</u>	deadly combat, starvation, untamed beasts, plus plague
6	<u>destroying all her people and animals.</u>	Killing every one of its citizens plus livestock and pets
²² Yet		In spite of that
1	<u>there will be survivors,</u>	Some of the citizens and animals will appear to escape judgment
	and	More than that
2	<u>they will come here</u>	The refugees will arrive in this Babylonian colony
3	<u>to join you</u>	To become one of you
	as	like
4	<u>exiles in Babylon.</u>	deportees from the Promised Land

5 You will see with your own eyes
6 how wicked they are,
and then
7 you will feel better about
8 what I have done to Jerusalem.

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You exiles will discover by means of your personal eyeballs
The extent/degree of how opposite they are from My way
As a result
You exiles won't feel so bad regarding
The way I judged and destroyed the city
At the time that
You exiles encounter them face to face
plus
Notice their lifestyle
You exiles will share my opinion
The awful catastrophes from verses 13-20
Happen to the people in the Promised Land
on good grounds
I, the Unstoppable One
Have expressed the inescapable future in words.