BRI for Old Testament Prophets

Critical Method

Remember to present your work showing both the internal (from the book itself) and external evidence (other books in the Bible, Bible dictionaries, etc). Your internal evidence should include references and your external evidence should be sources in an appropriate manor. Your conclusions should be your own.

A. Who wrote the book?
1) Internal Evidence –
2) External Evidence –
3) Conclusion –

B. When was it written?
1) Internal Evidence –
2) External Evidence –
3) Conclusion –

C. From where was it written?
1) Internal Evidence –
2) External Evidence –
3) Conclusion –

D. To whom was it written?
1) Internal Evidence –
2) External Evidence –
3) Conclusion –

Literary Method

A. What is the kind of literature? (e.g. Prose or poetry) Give references if it changes.
B. What is the type of literature? (e.g. prophecy, historical narrative) Give reference if it changes.

Historical Method

A. What is the political situation:
B. Who are the relevant world powers? (eg Assyria)
C. What is Israel or Judah's political situation? (eg weak/strong borders)
D. What are the important alliances or battles?
E. What is the religious situation in Israel and / or Judah?
F. List the reigning kings in Judah and / or Israel and the surrounding nations.
G. List any contemporary prophets.

Survey Method

A. What is the reason the book was written (the problem the Author is addressing)?
B. What is the main idea of the book (the solution to the problem being addressed)?

→ I read the book _____ times completely.