

# Books of the OT:

# Differing Opinions

	Hebrew Bible	Protestant		Roman Catholic <sup>b</sup> and Orthodox <sup>c</sup>
Torah	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Bereshith ("In the beginning")<sup>a</sup></li> <li>2. Shemoth ("Names")</li> <li>3. Wayiqra ("And he called")</li> <li>4. Bemidbar ("In the wilderness")</li> <li>5. Debarim ("Words")</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Genesis</li> <li>2. Exodus</li> <li>3. Leviticus</li> <li>4. Numbers</li> <li>5. Deuteronomy</li> </ol>	Pentateuch	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Genesis</li> <li>2. Exodus</li> <li>3. Leviticus</li> <li>4. Numbers</li> <li>5. Deuteronomy</li> </ol>
Nebi'im (Prophets) Former	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Yehoshua</li> <li>7. Shofetim ("Judges")</li> <li>8. Shemuel</li> <li>9. Melakim ("Kings")</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Joshua</li> <li>7. Judges</li> <li>8. Ruth</li> <li>9-10. I and II Samuel</li> <li>11-12. I and II Kings</li> <li>13-14. I and II Chronicles</li> <li>15-16. Ezra and Nehemiah</li> <li>17. Esther</li> </ol>	Historical Books	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6. Joshua</li> <li>7. Judges</li> <li>8. Ruth</li> <li>9-10. I and II Samuel</li> <li>11-12. I and II Kings</li> <li>13-14. I and II Chronicles</li> <li>15-16. Ezra and Nehemiah</li> <li>17. Tobit</li> <li>18. Judith</li> <li>19. Esther<sup>d</sup></li> </ol>
Latter	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10. Yeshayahu</li> <li>11. Yirmeyahu</li> <li>12. Yehezqel</li> <li>13. Tere Asar ("Twelve") <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hoshea</li> <li>Yoel</li> <li>Amos</li> <li>Obadyahu</li> <li>Yonah</li> <li>Micah</li> <li>Nahum</li> <li>Habaquq</li> <li>Zephanyah</li> <li>Haggai</li> <li>Zekaryahu</li> <li>Malaki</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>18. Job</li> <li>19. Psalms</li> <li>20. Proverbs</li> <li>21. Ecclesiastes</li> <li>22. Song of Solomon</li> <li>Apocryphal</li> <li>Apocryphal</li> </ol>	Poetry and Wisdom	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>20. Job</li> <li>21. Psalms</li> <li>22. Proverbs</li> <li>23. Ecclesiastes</li> <li>24. Song of Solomon</li> <li>25. Wisdom of Solomon</li> <li>26. Ecclesiasticus (Wisdom of Ben Sirach)</li> </ol>
Kethubim (Writings)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>14. Tehillim ("Praises")</li> <li>15. Iyyob</li> <li>16. Mishle ("Proverbs of")</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>23. Isaiah</li> <li>24. Jeremiah</li> <li>25. Lamentations</li> <li>Apocryphal</li> </ol>		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>27. Isaiah</li> <li>28. Jeremiah</li> <li>29. Lamentations</li> <li>30. Baruch including The Letter of Jeremiah (R.C. only)</li> </ol>
Festal Scrolls	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>17. Ruth</li> <li>18. Shir Hashirim ("Song of Songs")</li> <li>19. Qoheleth ("Preacher")</li> <li>20. Ekah ("How") Lamentations)</li> <li>21. Ester</li> <li>22. Daniel</li> <li>23. Ezra-Nehemyah</li> <li>24. Dibre Hayamim ("Chronicles")<sup>e</sup></li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>26. Ezekiel</li> <li>27. Daniel</li> <li>28. Hosea</li> <li>29. Joel</li> <li>30. Amos</li> <li>31. Obadiah</li> <li>32. Jonah</li> <li>33. Micah</li> <li>34. Nahum</li> <li>35. Habakkuk</li> <li>36. Zephaniah</li> <li>37. Haggai</li> <li>38. Zechariah</li> <li>39. Malachi</li> <li>Apocryphal</li> <li>Apocryphal</li> </ol>	Prophetic Writings	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>31. Ezekiel</li> <li>32. Daniel<sup>d</sup></li> <li>33. Hosea</li> <li>34. Joel</li> <li>35. Amos</li> <li>36. Obadiah</li> <li>37. Jonah</li> <li>38. Micah</li> <li>39. Nahum</li> <li>40. Habakkuk</li> <li>41. Zephaniah</li> <li>42. Haggai</li> <li>43. Zechariah</li> <li>44. Malachi</li> <li>45. I Maccabees`</li> <li>46. II Maccabees`</li> </ol>

<sup>a</sup>In the Hebrew Bible books are often titled by opening or key words.

<sup>b</sup>In this column deuterocanonical books are italicized. The spelling is that of the Common Bible rather than the Douay-Rheims Bible (1609/10) which was based on the Vulgate.

<sup>c</sup>Note that item 30 was not included in the Old Testament canon established for Orthodox churches at the Synod of Jerusalem in C.E. 1672.

<sup>d</sup>Two books of the Roman Catholic canon, Esther and Daniel, are larger than their counterparts in the Protestant and Jewish canons. This surplus material is included in the Protestant Apocrypha as Additions to Esther and Additions to Daniel (The Story of Susanna, The Song of the Three Children, and The Story of Bel and the Dragon). The Prayer of Manasseh, also found in the Apocrypha, is not included in the Roman Catholic canon.

<sup>e</sup>The number twenty-four is reached by counting as one book each of the following: I and II Samuel, I and II Kings, I and II Chronicles, the Twelve (minor prophets), and Ezra-Nehemiah.