

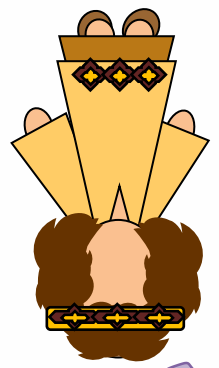
Why do we have prophets?

Why do you follow the prophet?

What do prophets teach about?

What do prophets do?

Amos

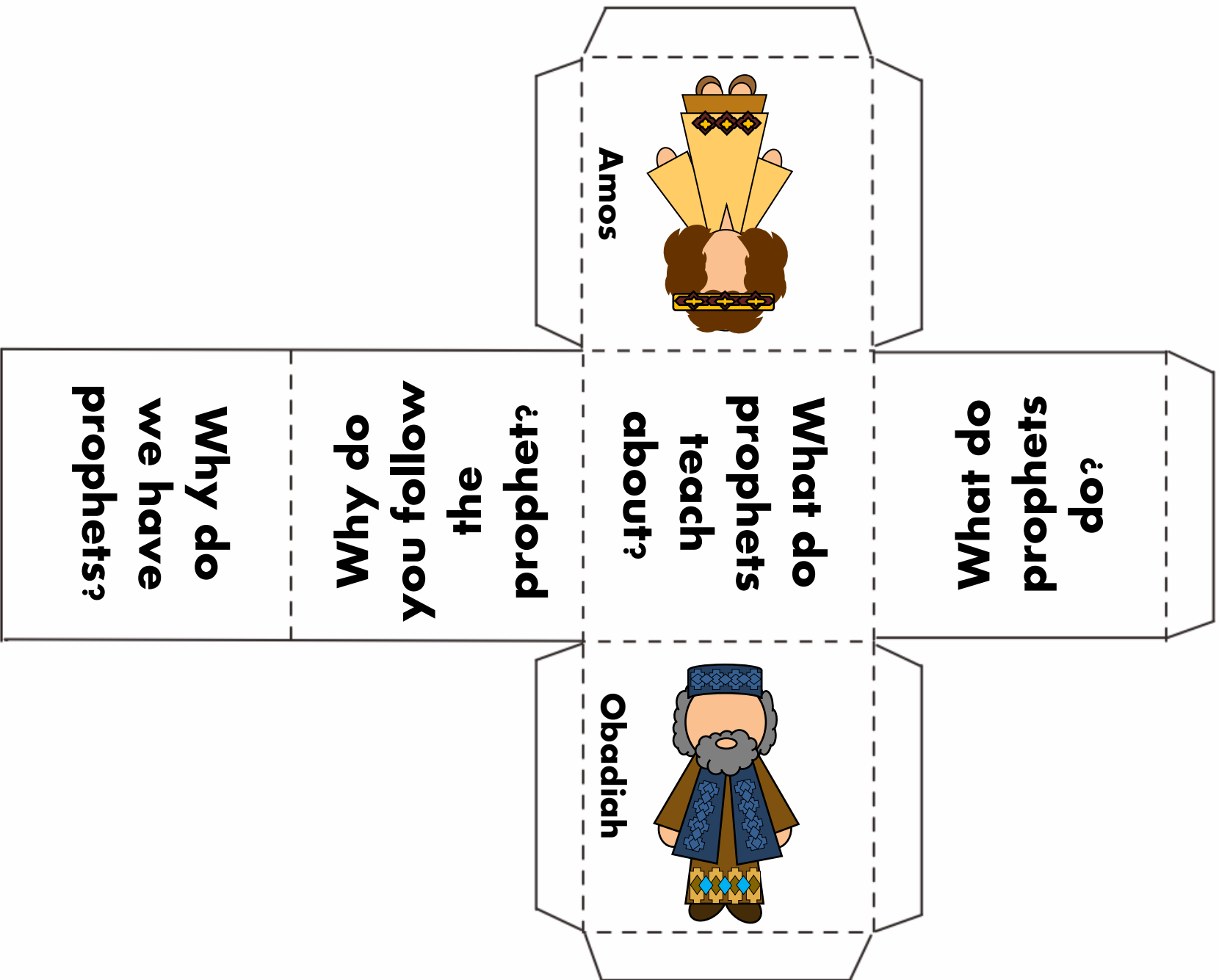


Obadiah

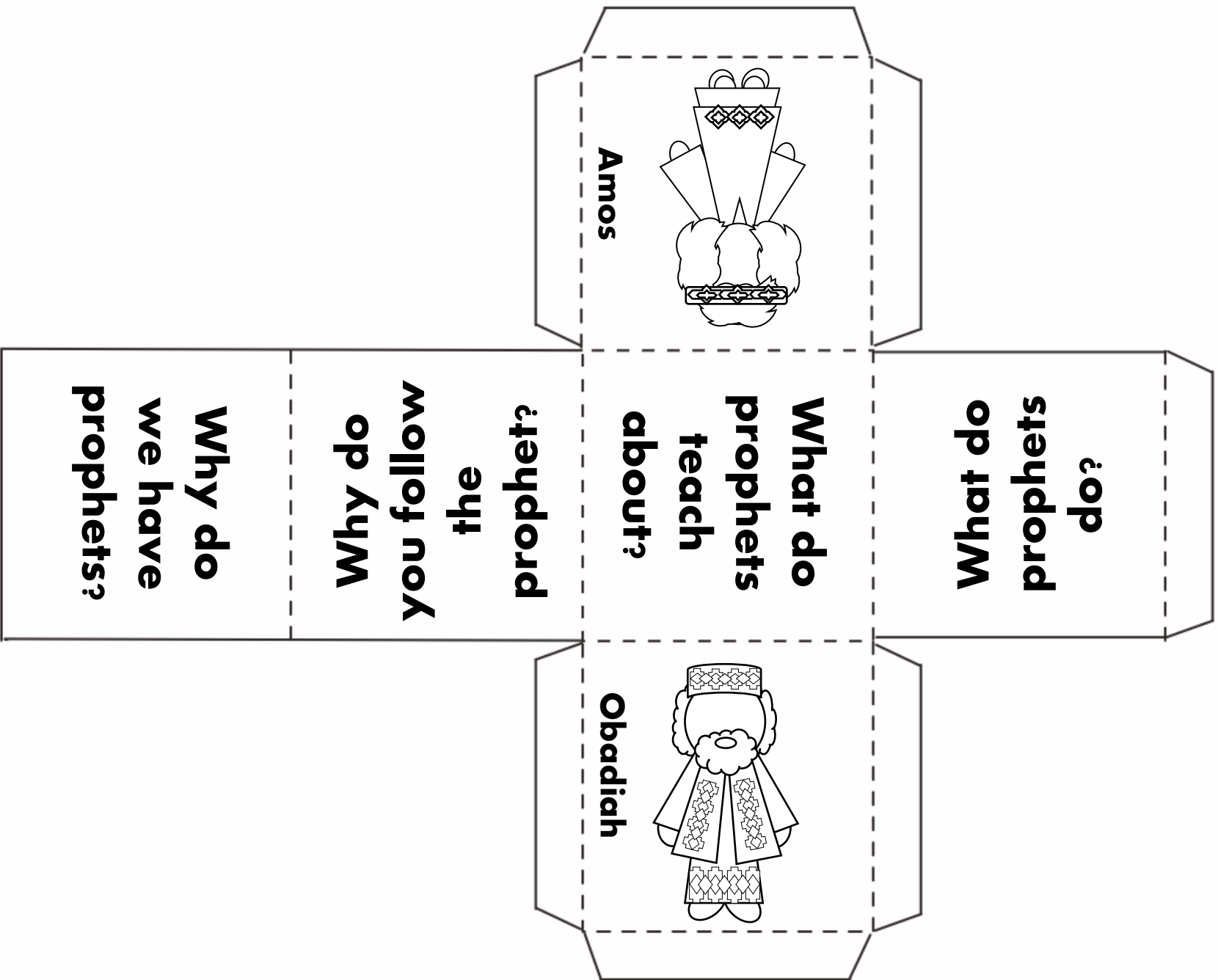


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Amos 3:7**

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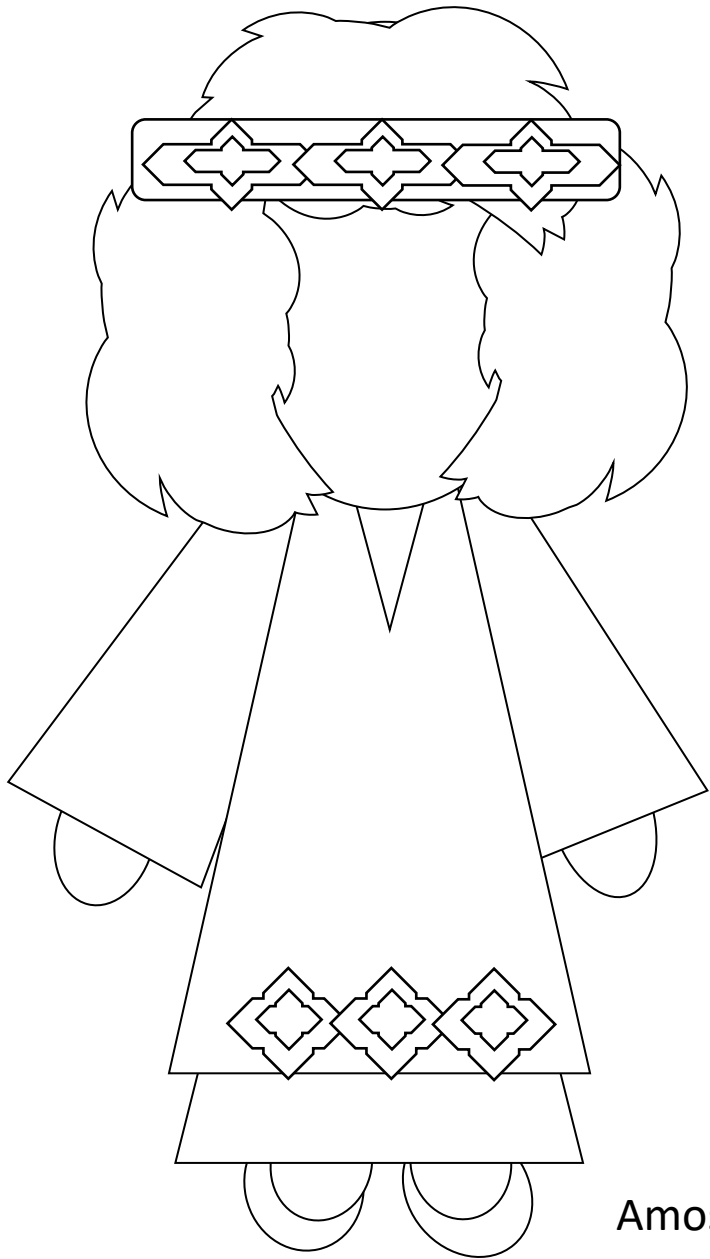
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Amos

He was a shepherd from Tekoa, a small village in the hill country of Judah, six miles south of Bethlehem, but his ministry was in the Northern Kingdom of Israel

His name means “bearer” or “burden”

He prophesied during the reign of Uzziah, king of Judah and Jeroboam II, king of Israel

His ministry is estimated about 750 BC, so he may have preached about the same time as Isaiah and Hosea

Either Amos or scribes of Amos wrote the book of Amos

He warned the people of impending destruction and spiritual famine if they would not repent

He promised that the Lord would bring about a restoration of His work and gather the faithful together in the light and truth

Obadiah

His name means “Servant of the Lord”

He was a prophet of the Lord who prophesied the downfall of Edom, a worldly kingdom of degeneracy and godless values and a prophet in the Southern Kingdom

The time of his writing is not known with certainty, but the book was written in the contest of the capture of Jerusalem, around 586 B.C.

The book is only 1 chapter and is concerned with brotherly love and the shame of the Edomites concerning their attack on Jerusalem

He prophesied that Mount Zion is to prevail in the triumph of the Lord’s plan for redemption of the righteous and the victory of truth and right associated with the Second Coming

There are 13 other Obadiah’s in the Old Testament referred in 1 Kings, 1–2 Chronicles, Ezra, and Nehemiah, these are references to other persons

The book of Obadiah is the shortest book in the Old Testament

Idea:

Copy and cut out cube pattern and tape together.

Play activity:

Have each child throw the cube. If it lands on a question have them answer the question. If it lands on the prophet have them tell something they might know about the prophet or have them read a verse from the prophet.

If time you may want to go around the room again.

Use the cube as a handout

How does the Lord communicate with His prophets? There are many ways, including:

- Inspiration through the Holy Ghost (see 2 Peter 1:21).
- Visions and dreams (see Numbers 12:6; 1 Nephi 8:2).
- Visitations by heavenly beings (see Joseph Smith—History 1:16–17; D&C 110:8).