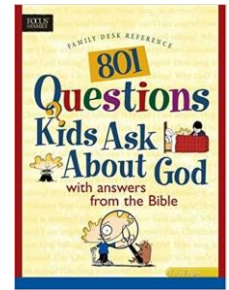




# How did they write the Old Testament without paper or pencils?



When the oldest books in the Bible were written, they didn't have typewriters, computers, or printing presses. And there weren't any ballpoint pens, felt-tipped pens, or number-two pencils. But the people who lived back then did have other tools for writing. The paper they used was different, too. The paper they first wrote the Old Testament on was probably either papyrus or parchment.



After the king had burned Jeremiah's scroll, the Lord gave Jeremiah another message. He said, "Get another scroll, and write everything again just as you did on the scroll King Jehoiakim burned."

1 Jeremiah 36:27-28

**Note to Parents:** This question presents a good opportunity to take out a Bible and show the different books of the Old Testament. There are 39 books in the Old Testament.

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