

*from* THE CANTERBURY TALES: THE PROLOGUE

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## Reading Check

**Directions:** Recall the narrator and characters in “The Prologue.” Then answer each question in one or two sentences.

1. Where is the narrator going on his journey and why?

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2. What does the description of the Knight and his son, the Squire, show about the narrator’s opinion of them? Give details to support your answer.

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3. The narrator describes the Monk as “fit for exhibition” and “not pale like a tormented soul.” What is surprising or unusual about the Monk’s way of life?

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4. The narrator focuses on the Parson’s relationship with his parishioners. He writes, “He was a Shepard and no mercenary.” What does the narrator mean?

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5. At the end of the prologue, what plan does the Host of the Inn propose to the Pilgrims?

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