

The Canterbury Tales

Anticipation Guide

Part I Directions: Prior to reading *The Canterbury Tales*, in the “Before” column, respond to each statement by putting an “A” if you agree, a “D” if you disagree, and a question mark (?) if you are unsure of your belief.

Part II Directions: For ONE of the statements below, write a response of 2 paragraphs explaining why you have the belief you do. Use examples, prior knowledge, life experiences to support your answer.

Part III Directions: AFTER READING THE STORIES, in the “After” column respond again to the statements. Then, reply by writing a 2-paragraph response to a statement where your belief changed since reading the stories. If not, write about a different statement than you responded to in Part II.

BEFORE	STATEMENT	AFTER
_____	Greed is the root of all evil.	_____
_____	Pride is the root of all evil.	_____
_____	Power corrupts everyone who has it.	_____
_____	Dreams are often predictors of the future.	_____
_____	No one understands morality better than the immoral.	_____
_____	The more educated you are, the better of a person you are.	_____
_____	Society must be divided into classes in order to function properly.	_____
_____	“Turning the other cheek” is the best response to cruelty.	_____
_____	When an agreement is made, it must be honored, no matter what.	_____
_____	Women should have all the power in a relationship.	_____