# THE CANTERBURY TALES VOCABULARY SECRET MESSAGE DECODER

**The Canterbury Tales Vocab Secret Message**

Instructions: Fill in the decoder key based on your answers to each question. Then, use the key to reveal the secret message!

| Decoder Key | | |
|---|---|---|
| 1 = | 2 = | 3 = |
| 4 = | 5 = | 6 = |
| 7 = | 8 = | 9 = |
| 10 = | 11 = | 12 = |

**Secret Message**

*How do you communicate with a fish?*

_ _ _ (2 11 4) _ _ _ _ (1 8 11 7) _ _ (5 12)

_ (3) _ _ _ _ (10 5 9 6)

... answer to #3 has the letter H below it, 3=H). Letters may be used more than once! When you are done, use your decoder to reveal the secret message.

| 1. a serious military attack | | | 2. being covered or clothed | | | 3. unrestrained, thoughtless | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| palfrey | siege | visage | clad | shriven | cloister | wanton | pompously | amiable |
| Z | D | G | Y | B | C | A | X | K |

| 4. part of a monastery; a secluded place | | | 5. a model of excellence or perfection | | | 6. forgiven of sins | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| paragon | blithe | cloister | pilgrimage | paragon | visage | shriven | palfrey | siege |
| R | M | U | N | I | O | E | F | J |

| 7. a saddle horse | | | 8. carefree, cheerful | | | 9. a journey, usually to a sacred or special place | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| cloister | palfrey | shriven | blithe | clad | paragon | palfrey | pilgrimage | pompously |
| Q | P | H | R | V | D | W | N | A |

| 10. arrogantly, with | 11. friendly, | 12. face or |
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**Review 12 key vocabulary words! Engage secondary students with a fun & unique secret message decoder worksheet.**

# WHY WILL YOU (AND YOUR STUDENTS) FALL IN LOVE WITH THIS RESOURCE?

- No-prep
- Engaging review format
- Covers key concepts
- Easy to grade

Answer key included!

