

# Geoffrey Chaucer

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- Born c. \_\_\_\_\_
- From a London family of \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_ - Middle Class

- Fought in \_\_\_\_\_ -

Taken Prisoner and Ransomed by

King \_\_\_\_\_ III

- Held many positions of court

- His travels put him in contact with \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Legacy: \_\_\_\_\_

- First legitimate use of the \_\_\_\_\_

- First to coin a work focusing on multiple classes

- Died of unknown causes c. \_\_\_\_\_

- First person buried at “ \_\_\_\_\_ ”



# The Canterbury Tales

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- A pilgrimage of “assorted lots” to the shrine of \_\_\_\_\_
  - English \_\_\_\_\_ assassinated by followers of \_\_\_\_\_ II for standing against a corrupt rule
  - Canonized for his loyalty and moral stance
- First respected work written in common English
- First use of varied 1<sup>st</sup> person  
( \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ )
- Covered a wide range of English castes:
  - \_\_\_\_\_: Prioress (nun), Monk, Friar, Parson, Summoner, Pardoner
  - \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_: Knight, Squire, Sergeant at Law, Franklin, Manciple, Reeve
  - \_\_\_\_\_: Yeoman, Merchant, Oxford Cleric, Haberdasher, Dyer, Carpenter, Carpet Maker, Cook, Skipper, Doctor, Wife of Bath, Plowman, Miller, Host, Narrator
- Never completed