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The Canterbury Tales

After reading “The Wife of Bath’s Tale,” “The Nun’s Priest’s Tale,” and “The Knight’s Tale,” complete the following charts. Use specific details from the text to support your answers to each of the questions.

Social Class in *The Canterbury Tales*

Question	The Wife of Bath	The Nun’s Priest	The Knight
Examine the character’s description in the general prologue . What can you tell about the character based on this description (look at both physical and non-physical characteristics)? What does the description suggest about his/her knowledge and experience in regard to love?			
Examine the prologue to the character’s tale . What does the prologue reveal about the character’s social class and his/her attitude toward other social classes?			
Examine the character’s tale . How does the tale reflect the character’s social class and prejudices against (or preferences for) other social classes?			

Relationships in *The Canterbury Tales*

Question	The Wife of Bath	The Nun's Priest	The Knight
Describe the relationship(s) central to the plot of the character's tale.			
What commentary or critique about the nature of women, men, and marriage is part of this tale?			
What elements of the chivalric code are reflected in the character's tale? Cite specific examples of how characters follow or fail to follow the code.			
What moral does the tale teach?			