

An introduction to the characters of The Canterbury Tales with images, to help prepare classes for their visit or for use in creative sessions after the visit.

- Harry Bailey, the landlord of the Tabard Inn, pilgrim guide and referee
- The Knight, just returned from battle, well mannered, devout and chivalrous
- The Miller, Robin, 16 stone, fond of playing 'bagpipes', bawdy stories and ale
- The Wife of Bath, wide hipped, gap toothed and 5 times a widow
- The Nun's Priest, an educated man of the cloth, well-built and pleasant company
- The Pardoner, an unsavoury person, with a voice like a goat, dressed in red with blond hair

Please feel free to photocopy/print off the images which follow to help illustrate discussions about descriptive writing, characterisation and interpretation.

Other useful links:

Images from one of the early manuscripts of Chaucer's work, the Ellesmere Manuscript, held in the Huntington Library in America are available online:

http://dpg.lib.berkeley.edu/webdb/dsheh/heh_br?Description=&CallNumber=EL+26+C+9

Images of Chaucer:

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Images of pilgrim souvenirs:

https://www.google.co.uk/search?q=pilgrim+souvenirs+and+secular+badges+images&rlz=1C1KMZB_enGB588GB588&espv=2&tbm=isch&tbo=u&source=univ&sa=X&ei=ozDSU63xM8iS7AantYCACw&ved=

Images of Thomas Beckett:

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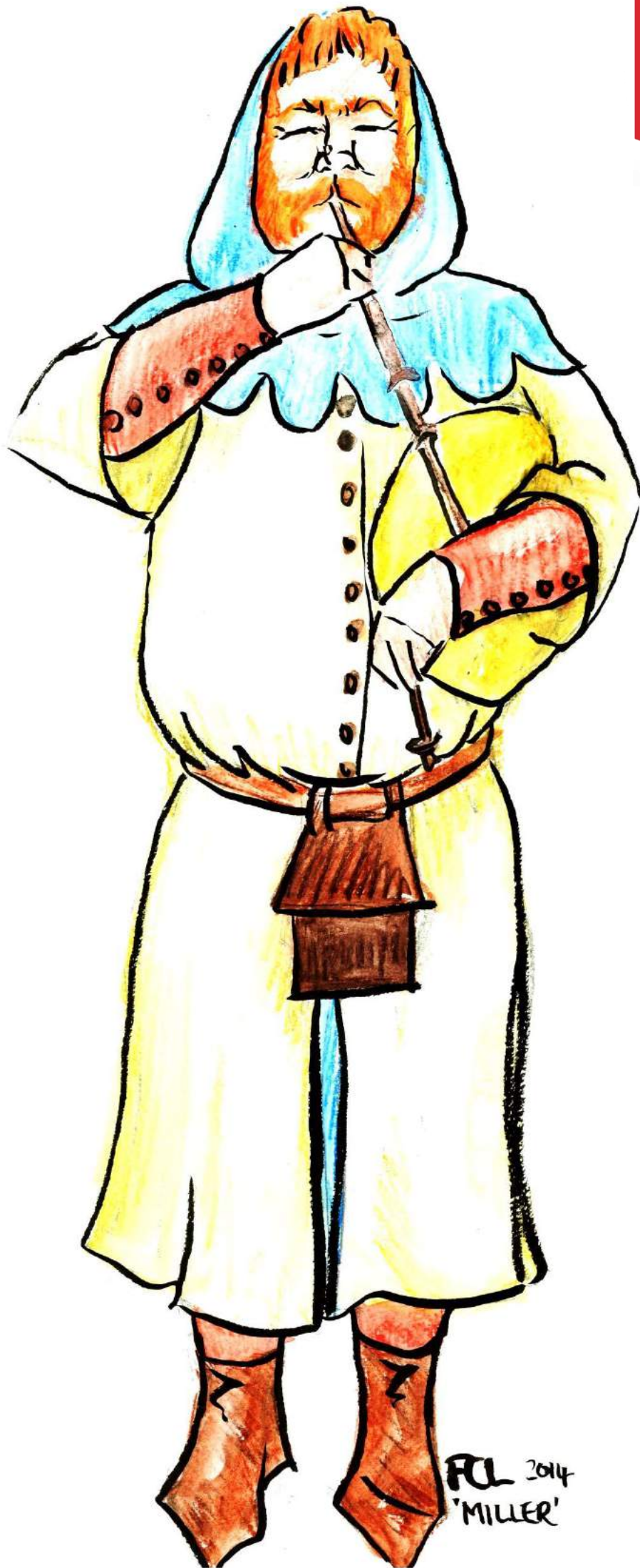
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