

# Estates Satire

English

Lesson 3 of *The Canterbury Tales*: 'General Prologue'

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# Extended Writing Task

## What were the Three Estates?

*In the Middle Ages, people were divided into three estates:*

**clergy   nobility**  
**peasantry**

*Examples of characters from The Canterbury Tales in each estate are:*

**Prioress**

**Knight**

**Miller**

## What is satire?

*Satire is...*

*Some of the techniques often used in satire are...*

**humour   irony**  
**ridicule   exaggeration**

