

GLOSSARY TO THE MIDDLE ENGLISH VERSION OF “APOLLONIUS OF TYRE”

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This Glossary is meant to include all the words used in this story of Apollonius of Tyre and arranged on an alphabetical basis, with their various forms of spelling. A few words, therefore, are listed more than once according to their different spellings. In principle, regular inflected forms of nouns and most of the weak verbs which can be identified without difficulty are not included. If a given form of a word presents any difficulty, such as an inflected form of some strong verb, it is listed as a separate entry with cross-reference. When a word or a phrase has an unusual meaning, its context with line reference is indicated with its meaning.

The grammatical abbreviations, which are mostly conventional, need no explanation, as *n.* for noun, *v.* for verb, *a.* for adjective, *ad.* for adverb, and so forth.

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A

a, art. a, a certain, one
 abandone, abandoune, v.
 let, go, give up, devote
 abbese, n. abbess
 abeie, see aby
 abide, abyde, v. wait for,
 endure, remain
 able, a. able
 abod, v. pret.sg. of abide
 aboute, prep. ad. about,
 around
 absent, a. absent
 aby, abie, v. pay for
 acale, a. cold
 achieve, v. achieve,
 finish, succeed
 accompte, v. reckon, value
 acorde, v. agree, consent
 adai, aday, ad. one day
 adrad, a. afraid
 adversite, n. adversity
 afered, a. afraid, terrified
 afore, prep. ad. before,
 for, in front of, in
 accordance with
 after, prep. after, "wish
 after death" 333
 age, n. age
 aghte, n. possession,
 property
 ago, pp. gone
 aise, ese, n. relief, ease
 al, all, alle, a. all; ad.
 altogether, throughout,
 entirely
 algate, ad. at any rate,
 assuredly
 almyhte, a. almighty
 alone, ad. to the land,
 on land, ashore
 althogh, con. although,
 granting that
 als, ad. as
 also, ad. also
 altobreke, v. break asunder
 altobroke, pp. of altobreke
 amende, v. recover
 amendment, n. remedy,
 improvement, correction
 amiddes, amidde, prep. in
 the midst of

among, amonges, prep. among,
 during; evere among: at
 times, meanwhile 844
 amonte, amounte, v. amount to,
 mean
 amorwe, ad. in the morning
 anchor, anker, n. anchor
 and, con. and, but, if
 anemie, enemie, n. enemy
 angel, n. angel
 anguisse, anguisshe, n.
 anguish, distress
 anon, ad. soon, immediately
 ansuere, answere, v. n. answer
 appiere, v. appear
 apprise, aprise, n. teaching
 aproche, v. n. approach
 aquite, aquyte, acquite, v.
 acquit, pay, reward,
 requite
 areste, v. delay, keep in,
 check, arrest
 arewe, arowe, ad in
 succession, in a row
 arise, v. arise, get up
 aros, pret. of arise
 arm, n. arm
 arrai, array, n. array,
 display
 arrai, array, arai, aray, v.
 dress, array, adorn, prepare
 aryve, arive, arryve, arrive,
 v. come to land, come, arrive
 art, v. are (2nd p. sg)
 as, con. as, just like;
 prep. like
 asende, v. send for
 asent, pp. of asende
 aslepe, a. asleep
 aspie, v. spy, watch
 assaie, v. try, attempt,
 experience
 assaile, assaille, v.
 attack, attempt
 assay, n. trial, proof
 assent, n. agreement,
 consent
 assente, v. assent, agree;
 pret. assente 813; pp.
 assented 818
 assisse, assise, n. order,
 condition, manner, arrange
 assisse, assisse, v. place,
 appoint, arrange

assoile, v. solve
 (a question), explain
 astate, estat, n. state,
 estate
 asterte, v. escape from,
 elude
 aswoune, ad. into a swoon
 at, ate, prep. at, to, by
 atir, atyr, n. attire,
 preparation
 atteint, pp. convicted
 attempte, v. try, attempt
 atuo, atwo, ad. in two
 audience, n. audience
 aunter, n. venture, adventure,
 in aunter if: in case,
 lest, for fear 1666
 availe, v. avail, be of use
 avale, v. lower
 avantage, n. advantage, profit
 aventure, n. misfortune,
 chance, case
 avise, v. consider, beware
 avisoun, n. vision, dream
 avoi, interj. Come! (expressing surprise) OF. avoi
 avou, n. vow, promise
 avowe, v. declare, justify,
 vow
 awaite, awayte, v. watch,
 waite, watch for, attend to
 aweie, ad. away
 axe, aske, v. ask, ask for,
 demand
 ay, ad. aye, ay, ever 1460
 ayein, ayeyn, agayn, again,
 prep. against, contrary
 to, to meet 1280
 ayein, ayeyn, ad. again, back,
 in reply
 ayeinward, ad. backward,
 back again

B

bacheler, n. knight (of rank
 below banneret)
 bad, pret. of bidde
 balance, n. danger, scales
 bale, n. harm, suffering,
 misfortune, bale
 balsme, n. ointment, balsam
 bar, pret. of bere
 barge, n. boat, ship
 bath, n. bath

be, ben, v. am, art, is,
 are
 be, prep. by, with
 beaute, n. beauty
 become, v. become
 bede, pp. of bidde
 bedd, bed, n. bed
 befalle, v. happen, come about
 befelle, pret. of befalle
 began, pret. of beginne
 begat, pret. of begete
 beget, v. acquire, beget;
 pret. begat; pp. begete
 beginne, v. begin 720 (see
 Skeat's note to G. Prol. 52,
Canterbury Tales);
 pret. sg. began; pl. bequenne;
 pp. begonne, bequenne
 begonne, pp. see beginne,
 begrave, pp. engraved, buried
 behield, pret. sg. of beholde
 beholde, v. see, look at,
 notice
 beholde, pp. bound, obligated
 1564
 beie, begge, v. buy, pay for,
 avenge
 beknowe, v. confess, make
 known
 beleve, v. remain, stay
 believe, bilieve, n. belief,
 faith, religion
 ben, see be, ben
 bende, v. bend, arch
 benethe, prep. beneath
 bente, pret. of bende
 berd, beerd, n. beard
 bere v. carry, bear, give
 birth to
 bereft, pret. of bereve
 bereve, v. deprive, take away
 berste, v. burst
 beseche, v. beseech, ask, beg
 besette, v. set, employ,
 bestow, dispose of
 besihe, pret. pl. of bese
 look after, prepare 1617
 business, n. business, duty,
 work
 besoghte, pret. of beseche
 besowed, pp. sewn up
 beste, ad. best
 bestere, v. bestire,
 rouse (oneself) 609

betake, v. give, deliver,
 commend
 betaghte, pret. of beteche
 bete, v. beat
 beteche, v. deliver, commit
 bethenke, v. remember, think
 of
 bethoght, pp. of bethenke
 betide, betyde, v. happen,
 come about; pret. betidde
 betok, pret. of betake
 betraie, v. betray
 betre, bettre, a.comp. better
 betwene, betuen, prep. between
 betyde, see betide
 bewounde, pp. wound 1178
 bewreie, v. expose, reveal,
 betray, accuse
 beyete, n. gain, property,
 possession
 bidde, v. bid, command,
 invite, ask for, pray
 bide, v. stay
 biede, pret. pl. of bidde
 biede, v. command, demand
 bille, n. writing
 binde, bynde, v. bind
 blake, a. black
 blast, n. blast
 blonde, v. blind, conceal
 blent, pp. of blonde
 blew, pret. sg. of blowe;
 pret. pl. blewen
 blind, blynd, a. blind,
 deceitful
 blisse, n. joy, happiness
 blithe, blythe, a. glad,
 cheerful, blithe
 blod, n. blood
 blowe, v. blow
 blyve, ad. quickly, hastily
 bod, pret. of bide
 bodi, body, n. body
 boght, pret. of beie, begge
 bok, n. book, document
 boke, v. record, teach with
 books 1328
 bondeman, n. serf, slave
 bord, n. board, table; side
 (of a ship)
 borde, n. jest
 bordel, n. brothel
 bordeller, n. brothel keeper
 bore, pret. of bere

bot, con. but; prep. except,
 but; bot if: unless
 bote, n. remedy, help,
 salvation
 bothe, a. both
 boun, a. ready
 bounden, pp. of binde, bynde
 breide, v. draw (a sword)
 1377; pret. breide
 brenne, v. burn
 brent, pp. of brenne
 brest, n. breast
 breth, n. breath
 brod, a. broad; long and
 brod: high and low 1023
 brihte, bryhte, a. bright
 bringe, v. bring, take
 broghte, pret. of bringe
 buiste, n. box
 burgeis, n. burgess, citizen
 burgh, n. borough, fort,
 castle
 by, ad. by; by and by: in
 order

C

caban, n. cabin
 cable, n. cable
 cacche, v. catch
 calle, v. call
 cam, pret. sg. of come
 can, v. know, know how to;
 (as aux.) can, see conne
 care, n. grief, concern
 carpe, v. talk, converse
 cas, n. case, situation,
 the case in question
 caste, v. throw, defeat,
 conjecture, plan, calculate
 castell, n. castle
 cauhete, cawhte, pret. of
 cacche
 cause, n. cause, purpose,
 reason, interest
 celestial, a. celestial,
 heavenly
 certein, a. certain,
 unfailing
 certes, ad. certainly
 chaier, n. chair
 chamberlein, n. household
 attendant
 chambre, n. room, bedroom

chance, chaunce, n. chance,
 event, fortune
 change, v. change
 charite, n. charity, love,
 pity, mercy
 chastete, n. chastity
 cheke, n. cheek
 cherl, n. bondman, fellow,
 churl
 cherles, a. churlish, mean,
 vilainous; cherles knape
 1374
 chiere, cheere, n. face,
 countenance, welcome,
 delight, hospitality
 child, n. child
 childhode, n. childhood
 cite, n. city
 citezein, n. citizen
 citole, n. citole, cithara,
 stringed musical instrument
 cladde, pret. of clothe
 clamour, n. lament, clamour
 clare, v. declare, make clear,
 state in detail 1544
 clepe, v. call, name, summon
 clerk, clerck, n. scholar,
 writer, priest, church
 official
 cliere, v. become clear
 clos, a. close, narrow 1051
 cloth, n. cloth, tablecloth
 clothe, v. dress, clothe,
 be clothed
 cloude, n. cloud
 coevere, v. recover
 cofre, n. coffin
 colour, n. complexion
 come, v. come, pret. sg. com
 cam; pl. come; pp. come
 compaignie, companie, n.
 company, friendliness
 compleigne, v. mourn for,
 mourn, murmur, complain
 comun, commune, a. common,
 public; n. common people
 comyng, cominge, n. coming
 conceive, v. understand,
 comprehend, think of
 concupiscence, n. sexual
 desire, carnal desire
 condicioun, n. condition,
 state of things, disposition
 confort, n. comfort

conforte, v. comfort, make
 comfortable
 confortinge, n. comforting
 conne, konne, kunne, v. know;
 pres. can, kan;
 canst; cunne, kunne;
 pret. couthe,
 cowthe; couthest
 conscience, n. conscience,
 sense of guilt
 conseil, consail, n. advice
 counsel, secret
 conseler, consailer, n. adviser
 contemplacioun, n. contempla-
 tion
 continuance, n. perseverance,
 continuance
 contre, contree, n. country,
 homeland
 cooste, n. coast, country
 corage, n. heart, spirit,
 soul, mind
 corde, n. cord, rope
 corone, coroune, v. crown
 corps, n. corpse, body
 cost, n. expense, cost
 couche, n. couch
 coupled, pp. joined, married
 cours, n. course, path
 court, n. court
 courtaisly, ad. tenderly,
 courteously
 couth, a. known
 couthe, pret. of conne
 covenable, a. suitable
 coverture, n. coverlet,
 covering, coverture
 craft, n. skill
 crave, v. ask for, ask
 creature, n. creature
 cri, cry, n. cry
 crid, pp. of crie
 crie, v. cry, proclaim,
 lament, pray for
 cronique, croniqe, n.
 chronicle
 crualte, n. cruelty
 cuppe, coppe, n. cup
 cure, n. cure, medical
 treatment
 curse, v. curse
 custumme, n. custom

D

dai, day, n. day
 dar, v. dare; pres. subj.
dore; pret. dorste;
 pret. subj. durste
 daunce, n. v. dance
 debat, n. strife, dispute,
 quarrel, battle
 debate, v. contend, engage
 in a combat
 declare, v. declare
 ded, a. dead, killed;
the dede: the dead people
 dede, n. deed, performance
 dedlich, a. fatal, hostile
 defende, v. defend, protect
 deffie, defie, v. defy,
 renounce, repudiate
 degre, degree, n. rank,
 condition, state, manner
 deie, dye, v. die
 delit, n. pleasure, charm,
 sexual pleasure
 delivere, v. deliver, give
 birth to
 delivere, a. active, agile,
 nimble
 demande, n. question, request
 deme, dieme, v. deem, judge,
 think, condemn
 departe, v. depart, part,
 divide, distribute, be
 separated
 depe, n. sea
 derke, v. darken, become
 dark; pp. derked
 desclose, disclose, v.
 disclose, reveal
 descoloured, a. discolored
 deserve, v. deserve, earn
 desese, n. trouble
 desesed, pp. distressed,
 troubled, annoyed
 desguise, v. disguise
 desir, n. desire
 desire, v. desire, lust
 deslaie, delaie, v. delay
 despair, v. despair, hope-
 lessness
 despende, v. spend, use
 despise, v. scorn, hate
 deth, n. death
 devise, v. decide, tell,
 contrive

devocioun, n. religious
 fervour, devotion
 devoure, v. devour, eat
 dieme, see deme
 diere, dere, a. dear
 dihte, dichte, v. prepare,
 arrange, make; pret. dihte
 disciple, n. disciple
 disclose, see desclose
 dissh, n. dish
 distresse, destresse, n.
 distress
 diverse, a. different,
 perverse, cruel, evil
 divise, see devise
 do, don, v. do, cause, make,
 put; pret. dede; pp. do,
don, done 339
 doeful, a. doleful, dreary,
 dismal
 dom, n. judgement
 don, see do
 dore, n. door
 dorste, pret. of dare
 doun, ad. down
 doute, n. fear
 dowhter, doghter, n. daughter
 dowhterles, a. daughterless,
 without a daughter
 dradde, drad, pret. of drede
 drawe, v. draw out the viscera
 or intestines of, see OED
draw [50]
 drecche, v. delay, torment,
 deceive
 drede, n. dread, terror
 drede, v. dread, fear, be
 afraid of
 dredful, a. dreadful,
 fearful, terrible
 dreie, a. dry
 dreint, pp. of drenche
 drenche, v. drown, be
 drowned
 drinke, n. drink
 drive, dryve, v. drive, go
 forward, sail; drive
forth: spend (time)
 drof, pret. of dryve
 duelle, dwelle, v. dwell,
 remain

E

ech, pron. each

echon, pron. each one
 eft, ad. again, afterwards
 ek, eke, ad. also
 elles, ad. else
 eloquent, a. eloquent
 enclosed, encluyed, pp. nailed
 encresce, encresse, v.
 increase, enrich
 ende, n. end, purpose,
 outcome, limit
 ende, v. end
 endlong, prep. along
 enforme, v. inform, instruct,
 relate
 enoignte, v. anoint
 ensample, n. example
 entente, n. meaning, purpose,
 thought
 enterrement, n. burial,
 interment
 envie, n. envy, resentment
 environe, v. encompass,
 surround
 eny, any, a. any, a
 epitaffe, epitaphe, n.
 epitaph
 er, con. before
 ere, n. ear
 ernest, n. earnest
 erthe, n. earth, clay
 eschuie, v. avoid, escape
 ese, see aise
 esmaie, v. dismay, depress
 ete, v. eat; pret. eet;
 pl. eete; pp. ete
 evere, ad. ever
 every, a. every, all
 execucioun, n. execution

F

face, n. face
 fade, a. faded, pale
 fader, n. father, gen. sg.
 fader, fadres
 faille, n. v. fail
 fair, a. beautiful
 faire, ad. fairly, well
 falle, v. fall, yield to,
 commit sin; pret. felle,
 fell
 fals, a. untrue, untrust-
 worthy
 fame, n. ill-repute, news,
 reputation

famine, famyne, n. famine
 fare, n. behavior, doing,
 condition, business
 fare, v. go, fare; pret.
 ferde, ferd; pp. ferd
 faste, ad. completely,
 firmly, fast; cf. faste
 by: nearby, close to 1390
 fecche, v. fetch
 fed, feed, pp. of fede
 fede, v. feed
 fee, n. property
 feere, fere, n. fear
 feigne, v. feign, disguise
 feith, n. faith
 felaschipe, n. band of
 associates
 fell, a. fierce, cruel;
 pl. felle
 felonie, n. crime, wicked-
 ness
 felon, n. criminal, evil-
 doer, felon
 feloun, a. grim, deadly
 felte, pret. of fiele
 fend, n. devil, fiend
 ferde, pret. of fare
 ferforthli, ad. well,
 thoroughly, excellently
 ferke, v. convey
 ferme, ferm, a. firm
 ferste, ferst, first, a. first
 feste, n. feast
 fette, v. fetch, get;
 pret. fette; pp. fet,
 fett; cf. fecche
 fewe, a. few
 fiere, n. companion; cf. in
 fiere: together
 fiele, v. feel, think
 figure, n. figure, appearance,
 statue
 fille, n. fill, as much as
 one desires
 finde, fynde, v. find, invent,
 provide
 fisshere, n. fisherman
 flacke, v. flutter
 fled, pret. of fle
 fle, flen, v. escape, flee,
 avoid
 fleissh, flessh, n. flesh,
 meat, body
 flor, n. floor, ground
 flour, n. flower, verginity

fol, a. foolish 337
 folk, n. folk, people
 fom, n. foam
 fond, pret. of finde, fynde
 fonde, v. try, attempt
 for, con. because, in order
 that
 forbere, v. leave out, spare,
 prevent, forbear, avoid
 forblown, pp. blown about
 forbore, pp. of forbere
 fordrive, pp. driven about
 fore, ad. forth; comen fore:
 (they) came all the way 992
 forlete, v. abandon, leave
 alone; pp. forlete
 forlie, v. commit adultery,
 lie with; pret. forlih
 forlore, pp. lost, forfeited
 forme, n. form
 forsake, v. abandon, avoid,
 leave, give up
 forsmite, pp. smitten (to
 eath)
 forstormed, pp. driven by
 storms
 forth, ad. forth
 forthi, ad. therefore
 forthdrawe, pp. brought up,
 raised 1719
 forthrowe, pp. thrown about
 forto, prep. (with infinitive)
 to
 fortune, n. fortune, luck,
 lot, chance; Fortune,
 Fortuna
 foryete, v. forget; pp. foryete
 founde, v. found
 fourtiene, num. fourteen
 freissh, a. fresh
 frele, a. weak, vulnerable,
 frail
 freliche, freely, ad. freely,
 for nothing, generously
 frend, n. friend
 frended, pp. befriended 1964,
 helped
 fro, prep. ad. from
 from, prep. from, since
 fuisoune, v. supply in
 abundance
 fulfile, v. fill, perform;
 suffice
 full, ful, a. full; ad. fully
 completely

fulofte, ad. very often
 fyr, n. fire

G

galeie, n. galley
 game, gamen, n. sport,
 entertainment, jest
 gan, pret. of ginne; (as mere
 aux. of past), did (with
 plain infinitive)
 gate, n. gate, way
 gentil, a. noble
 gentillesse, n. nobility,
 graciousness
 gere, n. gear, rigging (of ship)
 gete, v. get, beget
 glad, a. happy
 glade, v. gladden, rejoice,
 console, comfort
 gladnesse, n. gladness,
 happiness
 go, gon, v. go; pres. goth,
 geth; pp. go gon
 god, n. god; pl. goddes
 goddesse, n. goddess
 good, a. good; n. wealth,
 property, kindness
 governe, v. govern
 governance, n. rule, management
 governour, n. master, ruler
 grace, n. grace, mercy, favor,
 good will
 grante, graunte, v. grant,
 allow; grant mercy: thanks
 grete, gret, a. great,
 important
 grette, pret. of griete
 griete, v. greet
 grieve, v. hurt, do unjury;
 n. grief, grievance 465
 ground, n. ground
 grounded, pp. based, composed,
 disposed
 guise, n. fashion

H

ha, interj. used to express
 surprise, joy, triumph,
 suspicion, etc.
 hadde, pret. of have, haue
 half, halve, n. side, half;
 ad. half
 hale, v. hale, haul, pull up

halle, n. hall
 halp, pret. of helpe
 hap, happ, n. chance, fortune,
 hapne, v. happen, appear
 happe, v. happen; (impers.)
 happen, appear
 harm, n. injury, harm
 harpe, n. v. harp
 haste, n. haste, urgency
 hath, see have
 have, haue, v. pres. hast;
 hath; have, han;
 pret. hadde, hade, had;
 pp. had, hadd
 havene, n. harbour, haven
 hed, heved, n. head, chief
 heir, n. heir
 helas, interj. alas
 hele, v. hide, conceal, cover
 helpe, n. v. help
 helpeles, a. helpless
 hem, pron. them, to them
 hente, v. take, seize;
 pret. hente; pp. hent
 herbergage, n. lodging
 herde, pret. of hiere, here
 here, her, pron. their
 herkne, v. listen, hearken
 herte, n. heart
 heste, n. command, order
 hete, v. grow hot
 heved, see hed
 hevene, n. heaven
 hevy, a. sad, gloomy
 hevynesse, heviness, n.
 sadness, distress
 hewe, n. color, complexion
 hidd, pp. of hide, hyde
 hide, hyde, v. hide; pret.
 hidde, hedde; pp. hid,
 hidd
 hiede, heede, hede, n. heed,
 notice
 hield, pret. of holde
 hiere, here, v. hear; pret. herde,
 herd; pp. herd
 hieraftward, ad. hereafter,
 from now on
 hiere, here, ad. here
 hierof, ad. hereof, of this
 hih, hyh, hihe, highe, a. high,
 splendid
 hihe, hye, n. haste 913
 hihe, v. go higher
 hihte, pret. of hote

him, pron. him
 hir, hire, pron. her
 himself, himselfe, pron.
 himself
 hirself, hireself, pron.
 herself
 his, pron. its, his
 holde, v. hold, possess,
 stand firm; pret. hield,
 hild, pp. holde(n)
 hole, hol, a. whole, complete;
 ad. wholly, completely
 holi, a. sacred, devout, holy
 hom, n. ad. home
 hond, hand, n. hand; cam to
 hande: arrived
 honeste, a. honest
 honestly, ad. honestly,
 honourably
 honge, hange, v. hang, be
 hanged; pret. hyng, heng;
 pl. hinge; pp. honged
 honour, n. honour, reputation
 hope, n. hope
 horrible, a. horrible
 hoste, n. master of house
 hot, hote, a. hot
 hote, v. be called, command;
 pret. hihte, hyhte;
 pp. hote
 hou, how, ad. conj. how
 house, n. house
 housebonde, n. husband

I

I, pron. I
 if, con. whether, if
 ilke, a. same, the very 1349
 in, inne, prep. in, into, on,
 with regard to
 in, inne, n. inn, lodging
 inquisitif, a. curious,
 inquisitive
 insihte, n. perception, note,
 feeling, care
 into, prep. into, unto
 ire, n. anger
 iren, yren, n. iron

J

jueal, juel, n. jewel
 jeupartie, n. danger,
 division, contention

joie, joye, n. joy, pleasure,
happiness
joignt, n. joint
jouste, n. joust, tournament
juggement, n. judgement
justefie, v. set right, prove,
rule
justice, n. justice

K

ken, kin, n. kin, family;
dat. kinne
kepe, v. keep, hold, take care
of, regard, expect
kepe, n. care
kidd, kid, pp. of kythe, made
known
kinde, kynde, n. nature, manner,
race
kinde, a. kind, natural
kindely, ad. naturally
king, kyng, n. king
kisse, kesse, v. kiss; pret.
kiste, keste
kiste, n. chest
knape, n. servant, knave
knee, kne, n. knee
knele, v. kneel
knowe, v. know
knyht, kniht, n. knight

L

labour, n. iffert, hard work
lacke, n. lack
lacke, v.(impers.) be wanting;
want
ladde, ledde, pret. of lede
laden, pp. loaded
ladi, lady, n. lady
ladre, n. ladder
large, a. wide, liberal
largesse, largesce, n.
liberality, gift
lasse, lesse, a. less
last, a. last
laste, v. last, endure
late, a. ad. late
latere, ad. later
latoun, n. lattern, bronze
lave, v. wash
lawe, n. law
lawhe, v. laugh
lay, n. song, lay

lay, pret. of lie
leche, n. physician, remedy
lecherie, n. lust, lechery
led, n. lead
lede, v. lead, guide, manage,
take; pret. ladde, ledde;
pp. lad, ledd
lefte, pret. of leve; left
it noght: did not neglect
it 706
leid, pret. of leie, lein
leie, lein, v. lay, set,
apply; pret. leide, leyde;
pp. leid, leyd
leisir, leiser, n. time,
opportunity, convenience
lengere, a.(comp.) longer
lere, n. loss
lere, liere, v. learn, teach,
inform
lered, a. learned
lerne, v. teach, inform,
learn
lese, v. lose
lest, a. least; lowest in
power or position, meanest
lete, v. let, cause, leave,
release
lette, n. hindrance
lette, v. hinder, delay,
put off
lettre, n. letter
leve, leeve, n. leave,
permission
leve, v. leave, leave off,
omit; pret. lefte, lafte
lich, n. corpse, body
lich, liche, prep. like
liche, n. lineness, match 1528
lie, v. lie, be situated;
pret. lay, lai; pl. like,
lyhen, lein; pp. leie,
lein
liere, see lere
lieve, lief, a. dear, pleasant
lieve, v. believe, trust
liege, n. liege
lif, n. life, person
liggende, pres. p. of ligge
lie
lignage, n. descent, tribe
liht, n. light
like, lyke, v. please, be
pleased, like (impers.
& personal const.)

likinge, liyknge, n. pleasure
 lime, n. limb
 liquour, n. liquor
 liste, leste, luste, v. like,
 desire, please (with dat.,
 impersonally)
 litel, a. little
 lo, interj. Behold, Look!
 lok, n. look
 loke, v. look, take care,
 keep watch, examine, watch
 lond, n. land, country
 londe, v. land
 longe, a. ad. long, for a
 long time; comp. lenger;
 longe and late: at last
 1608
 longinge, n. longing, desire
 lord, n. lord, nobleman
 lore, n. teaching, learning
 lore, pp. of lese, lose
 lose, v. lose, set free
 loth, a. unpleasing, hateful
 loude, a. loud; ad. loudly
 love, n.v. love
 lovere, n. lover
 lowe, v. go lower, lower
 lucre, n. profit, gain, lucre
 lust, n. pleasure, sexual
 desire, charm
 lusti, lusty, a. pleasant,
 cheerful, brave
 lyhen, pret. pl. of lie, lye
 lyht, liht, a. light
 lyhthnynge, n. lightning

M

ma dame, n. madam
 madd, mad, a. mad, insane
 made, mad, pret. of make
 mai, may, mowe, v. be able to,
 have power; pret. mihte,
 myhte, miht, myht
 maide, mayden, n. young girl,
 unmarried girl, maiden
 maidenhede, maidenhode, n.
 virginity, maidenhood
 maister, n. master
 maistrie, n. mastery, great
 deed
 make, v. make; pret. made,
 mad; pp. mad, made, maked
 malddie, maladye, n. malady,
 disease

malgre, prep. in spite of,
 despite
 man, n. man, male, human being;
 goth to manne: know[have]
 a man
 mandement, n. command
 manere, n. manner, way, kind
 many, mani, manye, manie, a. n.
 any
 manyfold, a. manifold
 mareschal, mareschall, n.
 master
 mairage, n. marriage
 mast, n. mast
 matiere, n. matter, cause
 may, n. see maide(n)
 mede, n. reward
 medle, v. mingle
 meke, mieke, a. meek
 melodie, n. melody
 mene, meene, v. mean, speak;
 pret. mente
 mente, pret. of mene
 merci, mercy, n. mercy, thanks
 merciable, a. merciful
 merthe, n. mirth, amusement,
 joy
 merveil, merveille, n.v.
 marvel, wonder
 meschief, n. misfortune,
 trouble
 message, n. message, embassy
 messenger, n. messenger
 mesure, n. melody, tune, air
 mete, n. meal, food
 mete, meete, miete, v. meet;
 pret. mette; pp. met
 mette, pret. of mete
 mi, my, min, myn, pron. my
 middel, n. middle, waist
 midmorwe, n. early morning
 mihte, myhte, pret. of mai
 milde, mylde, a. mild
 miracle, n. miracle
 mispaie, v. displease
 mo, a. more
 mochel, a. much, great, large
 mod, n. mood, mind, courage
 moder, n. mother
 moerdre, v. murder
 moerdrer, n. murderer
 moerdrice, n. murderess
 mone, n. moon
 mone, n. moan, lament
 mor, more, a. more, greater

morwe, n. morning
 mote, v. must, may; pret.
moste, cf. forto mote/ To get ayein: to wish to get again 640
 moste, a. greatest, chief, most; people in upper class 620
 mowe, see mai
 mowth, mouthe, n. mouth
 muable, a. mutable, changing, easily moved
 muse, v. reflect, gaze
 musique, musike, n. music
 mynde, minde, n. mind, memory

N

naked, nakid, a. naked
 nam, nom, pret. of nime: take
 name, n. name, honor
 nathelles, ad. nonetheless, nevertheless, moreover
 nature, n. nature
 naturel, a. natural
 navie, navye, n. navy, fleet
 nay, ad. no, nay
 ne, ad. not
 nede, ad. not
 nede, neede, n. need; v. (impers.) is necessary, (it) is needful
 nedle, n. needle
 nevere, ad. never
 newe, ad. newly, anew
 newe, v. renew, produce, change
 next, ad. next
 no, ad. no
 noble, a. noble
 noblesse, noblesce, n. nobility, magnificence
 noght, nouht, naght, not, n. ad. nothing; not
 noise, n. sound, disturbance
 noman, pron. none, no one
 nome, pp. of nime: He hath unto conseil nome/ This man of Tyr 916-17
 nomore, nomor, a. no more
 non, pron. no, no one; not
 non, n. noon.
 nones, n. cf. for the nonnes: for the occasion, purpose
 north, n. north
 not, ne wot

note, n. note (of music), mark
 nothing, pron. ad. nothing;
 not
 norrice, n. nurse
 now, nou, ad. now; now and eft: now and again
 nyh, prep. near, close
 nyht, niht, n. night

O

o, pron. one, a
 obeie, v. obey, follow, do obeisance
 of, prep. of, by, for, from, out of, with regard to
 office, n. service, ceremonial observance
 offrende, n. offering 956
 ofte, ad. often
 oghne, oughne, owen, owne, a. own
 ought, ought, auht, pron. anything
 oil, oyle, n. oil
 olde, a. old
 on, prep. ad. on, in
 one, on, oon, a. singel, alone, unmarried; on and on: one by one 421
 ones, ad. once
 onliche, onlyche, only, onli, ad. only
 open, a. open, public
 openly, openliche, ad. openly, publickly
 oppose, v. question, ask questions
 or, con. or; or...or: either... or, whether... or
 ordeigne, ordeine, v. appoint, arrange
 ordinace, n. management, order
 ordre, n. order
 ore, n. oar
 other, othre, pron. other
 otherwhile, ad. sometimes, any time
 oure, pron. our
 ous, us, pron. us
 oute, out, ad. out
 overal, ad. everywhere, throughout
 overcaste, v. overthrow, upset, cover (with clouds)

overgilt, pp. gilded over
 overlad, pp. overcome,
 dominated, overlaid
 (<oferleggen)
 oversei, v. look over;
 pp. oversein
 overspradde, v. spread over
 overthrowe, v. overthrow,
 turn over, destroy, upset in
 mental or bodily state;
 pret. overthrew

P

paie, v. please, pay, satisfy
 pale, a. pale
 pantheon, n. pantheon
 parage, n. equal rank, rank,
 peerage
 parlement, n. parliament,
 assembly
 partie, n. part, party
 pas, pass, n. pass, passage;
 pace, foot's pace
 passe, v. pass, pass through,
 die, surpass
 paved, pp. paved
 peine, n. punishment, pain;
 do me peine: endeavor
 peise, v. weigh, feel by weight
 penance, n. penance, suffering,
 misery
 penonceal, n. pen(n)oncel,
 pennant
 perceive, v. perceive
 peril, n. peril, danger
 person, n. person, individual
 pes, n. peace, protection
 phisicien, n. physician
 pich, n. pitch
 pierelles, a. peerless, without
 equal
 pite, pitee, n. pity, mercy
 pitous, a. piteous, sad
 place, n. place, market-place
 pleie, pleye, play, n. v. play;
 pp. pleid; refl. to pleien
 hem 981
 pleigne, pleine, v. complain
 plainte, pleignt, n. complaint
 plein, a. full, simple, plain,
 smooth
 plein, ad. plainly, fully
 plesance, n. pleasure, sexual
 desire

plese, v. please
 plit, plyt, n. condition, state
 of things, manner, plight
 poeple, n. people
 point, poynt, n. point,
 condition, manner; pl.
 pointz points (422)
 port, n. harbour
 pouer, n. power
 pourpos, n. purpose
 poursuie, v. pursue, attain
 to, continue
 pourveance, n. provision,
 providence, foresight
 pourveie, v. provide, ordain
 povere, povre, poure, a.
 poor, miserable
 preie, pracie, v. pray, pray
 to, pray for
 presence, n. presence
 present, a. present
 preserve, v. preserve
 press, presse, pres, n. crowd;
 eagerness
 pride, n. pride
 prince, n. prince
 pris, n. value, praise, fame,
 prize
 prive, a. secret, private
 priveliche, prively, ad.
 privately, stealthily,
 secretly
 private, n. secrecy, secret
 probleme, n. question, riddle
 professed, pp. bound by vow
 profession, professioun, n.
 profession (here used as
 a religious term) 1266
 profit, n. profit
 profre, v. proffer, offer
 prosperite, n. prosperity
 proude, a. proud
 proverbe, n. proverb, saying
 puison, n. poison
 pure, a. pure, mere, absolute
 pute, v. put; pret. putte,
 pitte, put

Q

queene, qweene, n. woman, lady,
 queen
 querele, n. quarrel
 question, questioun, n.
 question, riddle, torture

quit, qwyt, a. unpunished, free
 quod, pret. said
 quite, guyte, v. requite,
 pay for, acquit

R

rage, n. madness, frenzy
 rancour, n. malignant, hate,
 spitefulness
 real, a. royal, regal
 reali, realy, ad. royally
 recche, v. have care, care for;
 pret. roghte, rowhte
 receive, v. receive, take
 record, v. remember, take note
 of, relate, repeat
 recoverir, n. recovery,
 remedy, expedience
 red, a. red
 rede, v. advise, interpret,
 decide, read; pret. radde,
 pp. rad
 redy, redi, a. ready
 refus, n. refusal
 regne, n. kingdom, reign
 reherse, reherce, v. repeat,
 declare
 religion, n. religious house,
 religion
 remembrance, n. memory,
 mention
 remenant, n. the rest,
 remainder
 rendre, v. deliver
 renne, v. run; pret. ran,
ronne, runne; pp. runne
 rente, n. income, revenue
 resceive, see receive
 resemblance, n. resemblance
 reson, resoun, n. reason
 reste, n. rest, peace of mind
 reste, v. rest, take a rest
 restreigne, v. restrain, keep
 back
 reule, n. rule, custom
 reverence, n. respect,
 reverence
 rewe, rowe, n. row, company
 reyn, rein, n. rain
 riche, a. wealthy, rich
 richesse, n. riches, wealth,
 property

ride, ryde, v. ride, make
 expedition, lie at anchor;
 pret. rod, riden; pp. ride
 riff, n. reef (of a sail)
 riht, rihte, a. ad. right;
 intensely
 rihtwinesse, n. righteousness
 rise, ryse, v. rise; pret.
ros; pp. rise
 rivage, n. landing place,
 rivage
 roche, n. rock
 rod, pret. of ride
 rody, a. ruddy, reddish
 roghte, see recche
 rote, n. musical instrument
 route, n. company, quantity
 routhe, rowthe, n. pity, ruth
 runne, pp. of renne
 rusti, a. rusty
 ryve, n. shore

S

sacrifice, sacrificise, n.
 sacrifice
 sacrificie, v. offer, sacrifice
 saghte, sawht, pp. at peace
 saile, seile, n. sail
 sake, n. sake
 salte, a. salty
 salvage, a. wild, savage
 same, a. same
 sat, pret. of sittie
 sauf, save, a. ad. prep. safe,
 securely kept; safely; except,
 save
 save, v. save, prevent the
 loss, manage not to lose;
 who that can mi tale
 'save': he who is able to
 follow my story 411
 schal, schule, schol, v. shall,
 must, may; pret. schold,
schulde
 schame, n. v. shame, disgrace
 schape, v. shape, make,
 appoint, contrive, prepare,
 bring about; pret. schop,
schope; pp. schape
 schave, v. shave
 sche, pron. she
 schette, v. shut; pret.
schette; pp. schet

schewe, v. show, appear,
 be evident
 schifte, v. arrange, divide,
 dispose of, turn
 schip, n. ship
 schipman, n. shipman, sailor
 scholde, pret. of schal
 schrifte, n. confession, shrift
 schryhte, pret. of schriche,
 shriek
 science, n. knowledge
 scole, n. school
 scomerfare, n. piracy
 se, sen, v. see; pret. sih,
 syh, sawh, sihe; pp. sen,
 sene, seene, seen, sein
 seche, sieche, seke, sieke, v.
 seek; pret. soghte,
 soughte, sowhite; pp. soght,
 sought
 see, se, n. sea
 seie, sein, sain, v. say, name;
 pret. seide, saide, sayde;
 pp. seid, said
 seil, n. sail
 seile, see saile
 sein, pp. of se, sen
 sein, see seie
 seintefie, v. sanctify 1269
 sek, siek, sik, a. sick
 seke, see seche
 seker, see siker
 selle, v. sell; pret. solde;
 pp. sold
 selver, n. silver
 semlich, semly, a. seemly,
 becoming, decorous
 sen, see se, sen
 sende, v. send, send
 (a message); pret. sende,
 sente; pp. send, sent
 sepulture, n. sepulcher, tomb
 servant, n. servant
 serve, v. serve, attend to
 service, servise, n. service,
 serving
 sette, v. set, appoint,
 suppose, account, plant;
 pret. sette, set; pp.
 sett, set
 sibb, a. related
 sich, see such
 side, n. side, part
 siek, see sek
 signe, n. sign

signefie, v. signify, mean
 sih, syh, sihe, pret. of
 se, sen
 sihte, syhte, sighte, n.
 sight, eyes, glance
 sike, syke, v. sigh
 siker, seker, a. ad. sure,
 secure; surely
 simplesse, n. simplicity,
 simple character
 singe, v. sing; pret. song,
 sang, sonqe, sunge; pp.
 sunge
 sinne, senne, n. sin
 sire, n. lord, sir
 sithe, sythe, n. time
 siththe, ad. con. since
 sitte, v. sit, be seated; pret.
 sat, satte; sete
 skarse, v. diminish
 slake, v. slacken, appease
 sle, slen, v. kill, slay; pret.
 slowh, slouh, slow, slou;
 pp. slain, slayn
 slepe, v. sleep; pret. slepte,
 slep; pp. slepe
 sleyhte, n. device, trickery,
 sleight
 slih, slyh, sly, sleigh,
 skillful, cunning, sly
 smot, pret. of smyte
 smyte, v. strike, smite; pret.
 smot, smette; pp. smite
 so, ad. so
 sobre, v. moderate, quieten
 (one's feelings), sober
 socoure, v. succour, aid
 sodeinliche, sodeinly, ad.
 suddenly
 softe, a. soft, gentle, quiet
 soffre, v. suffer, allow,
 leave, permit
 sojourne, v. dwell, remain
 sold, pret. of selle
 solempne, a. festive,
 ceremonious
 solempnete, sollmpnite, n.
 celebration, ceremony
 sollempneliche, ad.
 ceremoniously
 som, some, somme, a. some
 somdel, somdiel, ad. somewhat
 somme, n. sum
 somoune, sommone, v. summon
 somwhat, pron. something

sonde, n. sending, message,
 decree
sondry, **sondri**, a. sundry,
 various
sone, n. son, young man
sone, ad. soon, immediately
song, n. song
sonne, n. sun
sore, ad. sorely, intensely
sorghe, **sorwe**, n. grief,
 sorrow
sori, **sory**, a. sorrowful,
 sorry, sad
sorwe, n. v. sorrow
soster, **suster**, n. sister
soth, n. a. truth; true
soubtil, **soutil**, a. subtle,
 skillful
soule, n. soul
soun, v. sound
souper, n. supper, dinner
soupertime, n. suppertime
space, n. space of time
spare, v. spare, have mercy
 on
speche, n. speaking, talk,
 speech
spede, **spiede**, v. succeed, be
 advanced, advance, help,
 hasten; pret. spedde;
 pp. sped, spedd
speke, v. speak; pret.
spak, speke; pp. spoke,
speke
spille, v. destroy, spill,
 waste, kill, die; pp.
spilt
spire, v. inquire, inquire
 for
spousaile, n. spousal,
 (pl.) wedding
stable, a. stable, steady
stant, v. (3sp) stand see
 'stonde'
stat, n. status, position
statut, n. decree, statute
stede, n. stead, place;
stere, v. bring forward,
 stir, move
sterre, n. star
sterte, v. start, rush, move;
 pret. sterte; pp. stert
stiere, n. rudder, (steering)
 wheel 1931
stiere, v. steer

stille, ad. quietly, in
 silence, always
stinte, v. cease, stop, bring
 to an end; pret. stinte
stod, pret. of stonde
stoke, v. shut; pp. stoke
ston, n. stone, magnet stone
stonde, v. stand, remain,
 depend; 3sp. stant; pret.
stod, stode; pp. stonde
storm, n. storm, tempest
stounde, n. time, period
strange, a. foreign, unknown
straghte, pret. of strecche
strawht, **straught**, **straght**, ad.
 straightway, forthwith,
 immediately
strecche, v. reach, go,
 stretch, direct; pret.
strawhte, straghte
strengthe, n. strength, power
strike, v. lower, take down
 1891
stronde, n. shore
strong, **stronge**, a. strong
sturdi, **stourdy**, a. stern,
 harsh
sturne, **sterne**, a. sturn,
 severe
stwes, n. pl. stews, brothel;
 'heated bath-houses'
such, **sich**, **swich**, a. pron.
 such
suffise, **suffice**, v. suffice,
 be able, endure
suffre, **soffre**, v. suffer,
 allow, leave, permit
suggestion, n. criminal or
 false charge
suppose, v. conjecture,
 think, seem
surgien, n. surgeon
surmonte, v. surpass, rise
 above
swerd, n. sword
swere, v. swear; pret. swor,
suor; pp. swore, sworn
swete, a. sweet
swithe, ad. swiftly, quickly
swoune, n. v. swoon, faint
syde, side, n. side

T

table, n. board, plank

taght, pret. of teche
 take, v. take, give; pret.
 tok, toke; pp. take
 takel, n. tackle (of a ship)
 tale, n. tale, reckoning,
 speech
 tale, v. speak
 tarie, v. delay, tarry, vex
 taste, v. taste, perceive,
 try
 taxe, v. appoint, tax
 teche, v. teach, tell;
 pret. tawhte, tauhte,
 taghte; pp tawht, taught
 telle, v. tell, say, speak,
 name; pret. tolde, told
 tellinge, n. telling,
 narration
 tempeste, n. tempest, plague
 temple, n. temple
 tempre, v. tune, mingle,
 temper, restrain
 temprure, n. harmony, tuning
 ten, num. ten
 tendre, a. tender, delicate
 teres, n. pl. tears
 than, thanne, ad. con. then;
 than
 that, dem. rel. con. the,
 that; what, that which;
 that
 the, art. the, that
 thee, pron. thee
 thei, pron. they;
 cf. thei that: those who
 thenke, v. think;
 pret. thoghte
 thenke, v. seem; pret.
 thoghte
 ther, ad. there, where (rel.)
 therfore, ther fore, ad.
 therefore
 therinne, ad. therein, in
 that
 therthe, n. the earth
 'the erthe'
 therto, ad. to it, moreover
 therupon, ad. thereupon
 thi, thin, pron. thy
 thider, ad. thither
 thiderward, ad. toward it
 thief, n. thief, robber;
 pl. thieves
 thilke, dem. that, the same

thing, n. thing, creature,
 person; cf. thing which:
 one who
 this, dem. this
 thiself, pron. thyself
 tho, dem. pl. those
 tho, ad. con. then; when
 thogh, con. though
 thoght, n. thought
 thoghte, pret. of thinke,
 thenke
 thondre, thunder, n. thunder
 thonke, v. thank, give thanks
 thou, thow, pron. thou
 though, con. though, although
 thousand, num. thousand
 thre, num. a. three
 thretty, thritty, num.
 thirty
 throwe, n. time, short time
 throwe, v. throw; pret. threw;
 pp. throwe
 thurgh, prep. ad. through,
 by reason of; all over,
 thoroughly
 thus, ad. thus, like this,
 in this way
 tide, tyde, n. time, tide,
 season
 tidinge, n. event, piece of
 news, tidings, message
 til, prep. con. till; until
 time, tyme, n. time
 tirant, n. tyrant
 to, prep. to, into, towards
 tobrik, pret. of tobreke
 tobreke, v. break in pieces,
 break forth
 tobroke, pp. of tobreke
 toblowe, pp. blown about
 toclef, pret. of tocleve,
 part asunder
 tofor, tofore, prep. ad.
 before, in presence of;
 before, formerly
 togedre, ad. together
 tok, pret. of take
 tolde, pret. of telle
 tombe, n. tomb; see tumbe
 tonsure, n. tonsure, shaving
 of a head
 topseilcole, n. topsail breeze
 torive, v. be torn to pieces;
 pret. torof
 torne, turne, v. turn, return

torof, pret. of torive
 touche, v. touch, concern;
 touchende: concerning
 toun, n. town
 toward, towardes, prep. to,
 towards, with regard to,
 near, on the way to
 traiterie, n. treachery
 trance, traunce, n. trance
 travaile, n. v. travail,
 labour, trouble
 treson, tresoun, n. treason
 tresor, n. treasure
 tretour, n. traitor
 trewe, trew, a. true
 tricherie, n. treachery
 triste, truste, v. trust;
 pret. triste, troste,
 truste
 trouthe, trowthe, n. truth,
 assurance, sincerity,
 loyalty
 tumbe, tombe, n. tomb
 tun, n. tune
 tuo, two, a. num. two
 tyde, see tide

U

under, prep. under
 underfonge, v. receive, accept;
 pret. underfinge; pp.
 underfonqe
 understod, pret. of
 understonde
 understande, v. understand,
 realize, learn; pret.
 understod; pp. understonde
 unethes, unnethes, ad. with
 difficulty, hardly
 unglad, a. not happy,
 sorrowful
 unkinde, undynde, a. unnatural,
 cruel, ungrateful
 unloke, pp. unlocked, solved
 unlust, n. sorrow
 unsowed, pp. unsewed
 unsped, a. without success
 unto, prep. to, unto
 upbere, v. bring up, rear,
 raise; pp. upbore
 upbore, pp. of upbere
 upcaste, v. cast up 1156;
 pret. upcaste; pp. upcast

updrawe, pp. pulled up,
 brought up, drawn up 599
 upon, prep. upon, into, with
 regard to, by reason of
 upriht, a. ad. upright,
 straight
 uppe, up, prep. ad. up
 upward, ad. upward
 us, n. use, usage, custom
 usage, n. custom, habit
 usance, n. custom

V

veile, n. veil
 vein, a. in vein: fruitless,
 in vain
 veines, veyness, n. pl. veins
 vengeance, n. revenge,
 punishment
 verrai, verray, a. true
 vessel, n. ship
 viage, n. journey
 vice, n. vice, fault
 vilein, a. n. worthless,
 cowardly; boor, commoner
 vileinie, vilenie, n. shame,
 dishonour, unworthy deed
 violence, n. violence
 visage, n. face, appearance,
 pretext
 vois, n. voice, rumour, vote

W

waileway, interj. wellaway
 wake, v. wake, stay awake;
 pret. wok
 wal, wall, n. wall
 walke, v. walk
 wan, pret. of winne
 war, a. prudent, aware,
 careful
 warme, v. worm
 warnyng, n. warning, advice
 was, v. was
 water, n. water, seawater
 wawe, n. wave
 waxe, wexe, v. grow; pret.
 wax, woxen; pp. woxe
 wedde, v. wed, marry
 weder, n. weather, wind
 weie, weye, n. way, road,
 means; be alle weie:
 by all means

wel, ad. well
 wel, wele, n. joy, happiness,
 prosperity, weal
 welcome, v. welcome
 welkne, n. sky, welkin
 welle, n. well, spring
 welnyh, ad. almost, well-nigh
 welthe, n. wealth, prosperity
 wende, v. go, turn;
 pret. wente; pp. went
 wene, weene, v. believe,
 think, expect, trust; pret.
 wende 354
 wente, n. turn, way, device
 wepe, v. weep; 'wepe' (subj.
 sg. present) in althogh
 sche wepe 305; pret. wepte
 wepinge, n. weeping
 were, weren, v. were
 werk, n. deed, conduct,
 behaviour
 werne, v. prevent, refuse
 werste, a. sup. worst
 weyve, weive, v. refuse, put
 aside, leave, remove
 whanne, whenne, whan, when,
 con. when
 what, pron. a. what
 wher, ad. where
 wheroft, rel. ad. of which,
 whence
 whete, n. wheat
 whi, why, ad. why
 which, rel. a. which, who,
 whom
 whiel, whel, n. wheel
 whil, whyl, while, con. n.
 while; short time, time
 whilom, ad. formerly, once
 whit, whyt, a. white
 who, rel. he who, who
 whom, rel. whom
 whos, rel. whose
 wif, wyf, n. woman, wife
 wifles, a. without wife
 wiht, wyht, wight, n. person,
 creature
 wille, will, n. will,
 pleasure, wilfulness
 winne, wynne, v. win, get,
 make, gain; pret. wan,
 wonne; pp. wonne, wunne
 wis, wys, wise, a. wise, prudent
 wisdom, n. wisdom
 wise, n. wise, manner

wisshe, v. desire, wish
 wiste, pret. of wite
 wit, n. mind, reason, wits,
 senses
 wite, v. know; 2sg. pres.
 wost, 3sg. wot, woot, pl.
 witen; pret. wiste;
 pp. wist; cf. not: ne wot
 with, prep. with, by
 withalle, withal, ad. as well,
 also, indeed, moreover
 withinne, withinnen, prep.
 within
 withoute, prep. ad. without;
 outside, outwardly, without
 withseie, withsein, v. deny,
 contradict, oppose
 withstande, v. withstand,
 resist, stand up to
 witnessse, n. witness,
 evidence
 wo, n. woe, sorrow, misery
 wo, a. sorrowful
 wofull, woful, a. sorrowful,
 sad
 wol, woll, v. will, desire;
 pret. wolde, wold; pp.
 wold
 womman, n. woman, maid,
 servant; pl. wommen
 wommanysshe, a. womanly,
 effeminate
 wonder, ad. n. a. wonderfully,
 amazingly; wonder; wondrous
 wonderfull, a. wonderful
 wondre, v. wonder
 wones, n. pl. possession 612
 worche, werche, wirche, werke,
 v. work, do; pret. wroghte
 word, n. word
 world, n. world, fortune
 worschipe, n. honour, worship
 worthe, v. be, become;
 cf. wo worthe: a curse on
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 worthi, a. worthy,
 respectable, noble,
 distinguished, strong,
 fitting
 wraththe, wrathe, n. anger,
 wrath
 wraththe, v. be angry;
 pret. wroth
 wreke, v. avenge, satisfy;
 pp. wreke, wroken

writinge, wrytinge, n. writing
wroghte, pret. of worche
wryte, v. write; pret. wrot,
writen; pp. write
wroth, a. angry, hostile
wyde, wide, ad. widely;
wyde where: far and wide
wyht, n. see wiht
wyhte, a. active, nimble
wylde, wilde, a. wild, violent,
passionate
wyle, n. wile, cunning
wynd, wind, n. wind
wyndy, windi, a. windy

Y

yaf, pret. of yive
yare, a. ready, prepared
ye, yee, pron. ye; obl. you,
yow, youre
yee, ye, ad. yea, yes
yelde, v. render, surrender,
repay; pret. pl. yolde;
ppl. yolde
yelpe, v. boast
yer, yeer, n. year
yhe, n. eye, sight; pl. yhen
yifte, n. gift
yit, ad. yet, as yet, moreover
yive, yeve, v. give; pret.
yaf; pp. yove
ymage, n. image
yimaginacioun, n. imagination
ynowh, ynow, ynogh, a. n.
enough
ynowh, ynouh, ynow, ynou, ad.
sufficiently
yolde, pp. of yelde
yonge, yong, a. young
youre, pron. your
youthe, yowthe, n. youth
yren, iren, n. iron

Diana, Diane
Dionise
Egipte
Ephesim
Hellican
Leonin
Lichorida, Lychoride
Mitelene
Neptune, Neptunus
Pentapolim
Philotenne
Strangulio
Taliart
Thaise, Thayse, Taise
Tharse
Tharsiens, (pl.)
Theophilus, Theophile
Tyr

PROPER NAMES

Antioche
Antiochus
Appolinus, Appolo
Apollinis, (gen.)
Artestrathes, Artestrates
Athenagoras
Cerymon