

**“The Pardoner’s Tale” from The Canterbury Tales** by Geoffrey Chaucer  
**Vocabulary Builder**

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**Using the Root -cap- and the Prefix apo-**

**A. DIRECTIONS:** *In each sentence, underline the word that contains the root -cap- or the prefix apo-. Then, use your knowledge of the root or prefix to define the word you underlined.*

- The captain turned off the “Fasten Your Seatbelts” sign.  
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- As the waves grew higher, we all grew concerned that the boat might capsize.  
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- The audience had filled the auditorium to capacity.  
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- After insulting the group of businessmen, the engineer apologized.  
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- The apothegm the gambler used when he lost was: “You win some, you lose some.”  
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**Using the Word List**

tarry	apothecary	pallor	hoary	prating
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**B. DIRECTIONS:** *Read each series of words. Write the word from the Word List that best fits with the other words in the series.*

- linger, hang behind \_\_\_\_\_
- pharmacist, medical person \_\_\_\_\_
- chattering, talking foolishly \_\_\_\_\_
- paleness, white skin, deathly hue \_\_\_\_\_
- ancient, gray, white \_\_\_\_\_