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GLOSSARY

Abashed, abased, lowered

Abate, depress, calm

Abought, paid for

Abraid, started

Accompted, counted

Accorded, agreed

Accordment, agreement

Acquit, repay

Actually, actively

Adoubted, afraid

Advision, vision

Afeard, afraid

Afterdeal, disadvantage

Againsay, retract

Aknown, known

Aligement, alleviation

Allegeance, alleviation

Allow, approve

Almeries, chests

Alther, gen. pl., of all

Amounted, mounted

Anealed, anointed

Anguishly, in pain

Anon, at once

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Apair, weaken
Apparelled, fitted up
Appeach, impeach
Appealed, challenged, accused
Appertices, displays
Araged, enraged; confused
Araised, raised
Arase, obliterate
Areared, reared
Armyvestal, martial
Array, plight, state of affairs
Arrayed, situated
Arson, saddle-bow
Askance, casually
Assoiled, absolved
Assotted, infatuated
Assummon, summon
Astonied, amazed, stunned
At, of, by
At-after, after
Attainta, overcome
Aumbries, chests
Avail (at), at an advantage
Avaled, lowered
Avaunt, boast
Aventred, couched
Avised, be advised, take thought

Avision, vision
Avoid, quit
Avoided, got clear off
Avow, vow
Await of (in), in watch for
Awayward, away
Awke, sideways

Bachelors, probationers for knighthood
Bain, bath
Barbican, gate-tower
Barget, little ship
Battle, division of an army
Bawdy, dirty
Beams, trumpets
Be-closed, enclosed
Become, pp., befallen, gone to
Bedashed, splashed
Behests, promises
Behight, promised
Beholden (beholding) to, obliged to
Behote, promised
Benome, deprived, taken away
Besants, gold coins
Beseek, beseech
Beseen, appointed, arrayed
Beskift, shove off

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Bested, beset
Betaken, entrusted
Betaught, entrusted, recommended
Betid, happened
Betook, committed, entrusted
Bevered, quivered
Board, sb., deck
Bobounce, boasting, pride
Boishe, bush, branch of a tree
Boistous, rough
Bole, trunk of a tree
Boot, remedy
Borrow out, redeem
Borrows, pledges
Bote, remedy
Bound, ready
Bourded, jested
Bourder, jester
Braced, embraced
Brachet, little hound
Braide, quick movement
Brast, burst, break
Breaths, breathing holes
Brief, shorten
Brim, fierce, furious
Brised, broke
Broached, pierced

Broaches, spits
Bur, hand-guard of a spear
Burble, bubble
Burbling, bubbling
Burgenetts, buds, blossoms
Bushrment, ambush
By and by, immediately
Bywaryed, expended, bestowed

Canel bone, collar bone
Cankered, inveterate
Cantel, slice, strip
Careful, sorrowful, full of troubles
Cast (of bread), loaves baked at the same time
Cast, rei propose
Cedle, schedule, note
Cere, wax over, embalm; cered
Certes, certainly
Chafe, heat, decompose; chafed, heated
Chaflet, platform, scaffold
Champaign, open country
Chariot (Fr c/iarette), cart
Cheer, countenance; entertainment
Chierte, dearness
Chrism, anointing oil
Clatter, talk confusedly
Cleight, clutched

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Cleped, called
Clipping, embracing
Cog, small boat
Cognisance, badge, mark of distinction
Coif, head-piece
Comfort, strengtten, help
Cominal, common
Complished, complete
Con, know, be able, j con thank, be grateful
Conserve, preserve
Conversant, abiding in
Cording, agreement
Coronal, circlet
Cost, side
Costed, kept up with
Couched, lay
Courage, encourage
Courtelage, courtyard
Covert, sheltered
Covetise, covetousness
Covin, deceit
Cream, oil
Credence, faith
Croup, crupper
Curteist, most courteous

Daffish, foolish

Danger (in), under obligation to, in the power of
Dawed, v tr., revived; ltr, dawned
Deadly, mortal, human
Deal, part, portion
Debate, quarrel, strife
Debonair, courteous
Deceivable, deceitful
Defaded, faded
Default, fault
Defend, forbid; deferded, forbade; forbidden
Defoiled, trodden down, fouled, deflowered
Degree (win the), rank, superiority
Delibered, determined
Deliverly, adroitly
Departed, divided
Departition, departure
Dere, harm
Describe, describe
Despoiled, stripped
Detrenched, cut to pieces
Devised, looked carefully at
Devoir, duty, service
Did off, doffed
Dight, prepared
Dindled, trembled
Disadventure, misfortune
Discover, reveal

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Disherited, disinherited

Disparpled, scattered

Dispenses, expenses

Disperplyd, scattered

Dispoiled, stripped

Distained, sullied, dishonoured

Disworship, shame

Dole, gift of alms

Dole, sorrow

Domineth, dominates; rules

Don, gift

Doted, foolish

Doubted, redoubtable

Draughts, privities, secret interviews, recesses

Drenched, drowned

Dress, make ready

Dressed up, raised

Dretched, troubled in sleep

Dretching, being troubled in sleep

Dromounds, war vessels

Dure, endure, last; dared; during

Duresse, bondage, hardship

Dwined, dwindled

Eased, entertained

Eft, after, again

Eftures, passages

Embattled, ranged for battle

Embushed, concealed in the woods

Eme, uncle

Empoison, poison

Emprised, undertook

Enchafe, heat; enchafed, heated

Enchieve, achieve

Endlong, alongside of

Enewed, painted

Enforce, constrain

Engine, device

Enow, enough

Enquest, enterprise

Ensured, assured

Entermete, intermeddle

Errant, wandering

Estates, ranks

Even hand, at an equality

Evenlong, along

Everych, each, every one

Faiter, vagabond

Fare, sb., ado, commotion

Faren, pp., treated

FautS v., lack; fagted, lacked

Fealty, oath of fidelity

Fear, frighten

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Feute, trace, track
Feuter, set in rest, couch
Feutred, set in socket
Fiaunce, affiance, promise
Flang, flung; rushed
Flatling, prostrate
Fleet, float
Flemed, put to flight
Flittered, fluttered
Foiled, defeated, shamed
Foined, thrust
Foining, thrusting
Foins, thrusts
Foot-hot, hastily
For-bled, spent with bleeding
Force (no), no concern
Fordeal, advantage
Fordo, destroy; ferdid
Forecast, preconcerted plot
For-fared, worsted
Forfend, forbid
Forfoughten, weary with fighting
Forhewn, hewn to pieces
Forjousted, tired with jousting
Forthinketh, repents
Fortuned, happened
Forward, vanguard

Forwounded, sorely wounded
Free, noble
Froward, away from

Gad, wedge or spike of iron
Gainest, readiest
Gar, cause
Gart, compelled
Gentily, like a gentleman
Gerfalcon, a fine hawk
Germane, closely allied
Gest, deed, story
Gisarm, halberd, battle-axe
Glaive, sword
Glastings barking
Glatissant, barking, yelping
Gobbets, lumps
Graithed, made ready
Gree, degree, superiority
Greed, pp., pleased, content
Greses, steps
Grimly, ugly
Grovelling, on his face
Guerdonless, without reward
Guise, fashion,

Habergeon, hauberk with leggings attached

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Hair , a hair-shirt	Hoved , hovered, waited about
Hale and how , a sailor's cry	Hurled , dashed, staggered; hvrSig
Halp , helped	Hurtle , dash
Halsed , embraced	
Halsing , embracing	Incontinent , forthwith
Handfast , betrothed	Ind , dark blue
Handsel , earnest-money	Infellowship , join in fellowship
Hangers , testicles	In like , alike
Harbingers , messengers sent to prepare lodgings	Intermit , interpose
Harness , armour	
Hart of greese , fat deer	Japer , jester
Hauberk , coat of mail	Japes , jests
Haut , high, noble	Jesseraunt , a short cuirass
Hauteyn , haughty	
Heavy , sad	Keep , sb., care
Hete , command	Keep , v., care reck
Hide , skin	Kemps , champions
Hied , hurried	Kind , nature
High (on) , aloud	Kindly , natural
Higher hand , the uppermost	Knights parters , marshals
Hight , called	Know , acknowledge
Hilled , covered, concealed	Knowledgeing , acknowledgment, confession
Holden , held	
Holp , helped	Lain , conceal
Holts , woods	Langering , sauntering
Hough-bone , back part of knee-joillt	Lapped , took in her lap
Houselled , to be given the Eucharist	Large , generous

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Largeness, liberality
Laton, latten, brass
Laund, waste plain
Layne, conceal
Lazar-cot, leper-house
Learn, teach
Lears, cheeks
Leaved, leafy
Lecher, fornicator
Leech, physician
Lesnan, lover
Let, caused to
Let, hinder
Lewdest, most ignorant
Licours, lecherous
Lief, dear
Liefer, more gladly
Lieve, believe
Limb-meal, limb from limb
List, desire, pleasure
Lithe, joint
Longing unto, belonging to
Long on (upon), because of
Loos, praise
Lotless, without a share
Loveday, day for settling disputes
Loving, praising

Lunes, leashes, strings
Lusk, lubber
Lusts, inclinations
Maims, wounds
Makeless, matchless
Makers, authors, poets
Mal-ease, discomfort
Mal engine, evil design
Mal-fortune, ill-luck, mishap
Marches, borders
Mass-penay, offering at mass for the dead
Matchecold, machicolated, with holes for defence
Maugre, Jb, despite
Measle, disease
Medled, mingled
Medley, melee, general encounter
Meiny, retinue
Mickle, much
Minever, ermine
Mischieved, hurt
Mischievous, painful
Miscomfort, discomfort
Miscreature, unbeliever
Missay, revile; missaid
Mo, more
More and less, rich and poor

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Motes, notes on a horn

Mountenance, amount of, extent

Much, great

Naked, unarmed

Namely, especially

Ne, nor

Near-hand, nearly; near

Needly, needs, on your own compulsion

Nesh, soft, tender

Nigh-hand, nearly

Nil, will not

Nilt, will not

Nis, ne is, is not

Nist, ne wist, knew not

Nolulesse, nobleness

Nobley, nobility, splendour

Noised; reported

Nold, would not

Noseling, on his nose

Not for then, nevertheless

Notoyrly, notoriously

Noyous, hurtful

Obeissance, obedience

Or, before

Orgule, haughtiness

Orgulist, haughtiest

Orgulite, pride, arrogance

Orgulous, proud

Other, or

Ouches, jewels

Ought, owned

Outcept, except

Outher, or

Out-taken, except

Over-evening, last night

Overget, overtake

Overhyllled, covered

Over-led, domineered over

Overlong, the length of

Overslip, s., pass

Overthwart, alj., cross

Overthwart, sb., mischance

Overthwart and endlong, by the breadth and length

Painture, painting

Paitrelles, breastplate of a horse

Paltocks, short coats

Parage, descent

Pareil, like

Passing, surpassingly

Paynim, pagan

Pensel, pennon

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Perclos, partition
Perdy, *par Dieu*
Perigot, falcon
Perish, destroy
Peron, tombstone
Pight, pitched
Pike, steal away
Piked, stole
Pillers, plunderers
Pilling, plundering
Pleasaunce, pleasure
Plenour, complete
Plump, b., cluster
Pointling, aiming
Pont, bridge
Port, gate,
Posseded, possessed
Potestate, governor
Precessours, predecessors
Press, throng
Pretendeth, belongs to
Pricker, hard rider
Pricking, spurring
Prise, capture
Puissance, power
Purfle, trimming
Purfled, embroidered

Purvey, provide
Quarrels, arrowheads
Questing, barking
Quick, alive
Quit, repaid; acquitted, behaved

Raced (rased), tore
Rack (of bulls), herd
Raines, a town in Brittany famous for its cloth
Ramping, raging
Range, rank, station
Ransacked, searched
Rashed, fell headlong
Rashing, rushing
Rasing, rushing
Raundon, impetuosity
Rear, raise
Rechate, note of recall
Recomforted, comforted, cheered
Recounter, rencontre, encounter
Recover, rescue
Rede, advise; sb, counsel
Redounded, glanced back
Religion, religious order
Reneye, deny
Report, refer
Resemblaunt, semblance

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Retrayed, drew back

Rightwise, rightly

Rivage, shore

Romed, roared

Roted, practised

Rove, cleft

Rownepyk, a branch

Sacring, consecrating

Sad, serious

Sadly, heartily, earnestly

Salle, room

SamitS N silk stuff with gold or threads

Sangreal, Holy Grail

Sarps, girdles

Saw, proverb

Scathes, harms, hurts

Scripture, writing

Search, probe wounds

Selar, canopy

Semblabk, like

Semblant, semblance

Sendal, fine cloth

Sennight, week

Servage, slavery

Sewer, officer who set on dishes and tasted them

Shaft-mon, hand breadth

Shaw, thicket

Sheef, thrust

Sheer-Thursday, Thursday in Holy Week

Shend, harm

Shenship, disgrace

Shent, undone, blamed

Shour, attack

Shrew, rascal

Shrewd, knavish

Sib, akin to

Sideling, sideways

Siege, seat

Signified, likened

Siker, sure

Sikerness, assurance

Sith, since

Sithen, afterwards, since

Skift, changed

Slade, valley

Slake, glen

Soil (to go to), hunting term for taking the water

Sonds, messages

Sort, company

Sperd, bolted

Spere, ask, inquire

Spered, asked

Sperhawk, sparrowhawk

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Sprent, sprinkled

Stale, station

Stark, thoroughly

Stead, place

Stert, started, rose quickly

Steven, appointment; stefven self appointment made

Steven, voice

Stigh, path

Stilly, silently

Stint, fixed revenue

Stonied, astonished; became confused

Stour, battle

Strain, race, descent

Strait, narrow

Straked, blew a horn

Sue, pursue

Sued, pursued

Surcingles, saddle girths

Swang, swung

Sweven, dream

Swough, sound of wind

Talent, desire

Tallages, taxes

Tallies, taxes

Tamed, crushed

Tatches, qualities

Tene, sorrow

Term, period of time

Thilk, that same

Tho, then

Thrang, pushed

Thrulled, pushed

Till, to

To-brast, burst

Ta-fore, before

To-morn, to-morrow

Took, gave

To-rove, broke up

To-shivered, broken to pieces

Traced, advanced and retreated

Trains, devices, wiles

Trating, pressing forward

Travers (met at), came across

Traverse, slantwise

Traversed, moved sideways

Tray, grief

Treatise, treaty

Tree, timber

Trenchant, cutting, sharp

Trest, hunting term

Truage, tribute

Trussed, packed

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Ubblie , wafer, Host	Waited , watched
Umbecast , cast about	Waits , watches
Umberere , the part of the hel et which shaded the eyes	Wallop , gallop
Umbre , shade	Wanhope , despair, to
Unavised , thoughtlessly	Wap , ripple
Uncouth , strange	Ware , aware
Ungoodly , rudely	Warison , reward
Unhappy , unlucky	Warn , forbid, refuse
Unhilled , uncovered	Weeds , garments
Unnethe , scarcely	Weltered , rolled about
Unsicker , unstable	Wend , thought
Unwimpled , uncovered	Wer-wolf , a man turned into a wolf by magic
Unwrast , untwisted, unbound	Where , whereas
Upright , flat on the back	Wide-where , over wide space
Up-so-down , upside down	Wield , possess, have power over
Ure , usage	Wield himself , come to himself
Utas , octave of a festival	Wight . brave, strong
Utterance , uttermost	Wightly , swiftly
	Wildsome , desolate
Varlet , servant	Wimpled , with the head covered
Venery , hunting	Win , make way
Ventails , breathing holes	Wite , v., blame
Villain , man of low birth	Within-forth , on the inside
Visors , the perforated parts of helmets	Without-forth , on the outside
Voided , slipped away from	Wittiest , cleverest
	Wittily , cleverly
Wagging , shaking	Witting , knowledge

Wold or nold, would or would not

Wonder, adj., wondrous

Wonder, adv., wondrously

Wonderly, wonderfully

Wood, mad

Woodness, madness

Wood shaw, thicket of the wood

Worship, honour

Worshipped, cause to be honoured

Worts, roots

Wot, know

Wrack, destruction

Wroken, wreaked

Wrothe, twisted

Yede, ran

Yelden, yielded

Yerde, stick, stem

Yode, went

Yolden, yielded

Y-wis, certainly

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