Lesson 7

Chapters 13and 14 of *Adam of the Road*

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Vocabulary

villein

A feudal tenant entirely subject to a lord or manor to whom he paid dues and services in return for land

rampant

in heraldry: an animal represented standing on one hind foot with its forefeet in the air

postern

a back or side entrance

Characters

What character quality is used to describe Adam when he is trying to get to talk to the bailiff?

Determination

What was interesting about the shepherd Adam met that made things difficult for both of them?

They spoke different dialects

On page 164, Adam is frantic to find Roger. He remembers that Roger said that the road was home to the minstrel? What was Adam's thought about that?

Which Road

On page 166, Adam learns one way that the road is home to the minstrel.

Because people were kind

List a couple things we learn about Adam's mother as he remembers himself as a little boy of six.

Gentle

Taught him to read and sing

sat on her lap and listened to her singing

List two things that to show how the knight tried to conceal his identity.

Horse had no trappings

Surcoat was plain black

Shield was painted over

One of the yeomen says that Adam must have gone to earth like a fox. What did he mean by gone to earth?

Had hidden well, or found a hole to hide in

Daun William’s sword was described as badly rusted, but his scabbard was nice looking. What can we understand about Daun William and his reason for carrying a sword?

It was mostly for appearances

He didn’t expect to use it

In the first couple paragraphs of chapter 14, Adam meets a couple chapmen. What Bible story is this similar to?

Good Samaritan

Why did the Shepherd think it was funny to say, “Look out for the Apple”?

Because of Adam’s sin in the Garden of Eden

Compare Rideware Hall with how we usually imagine a castle to be.

Dirty, shabby, and in disrepair rather than beautiful and romantic

In this story, Adam seems to keep losing important items. What had he lost that he finds again at Rideware Hall?

His harp

On page 190, what shows that Adam is learning to be a good minstrel?

Inventing lines for his song to match the occasion

What are some ways Adam is maturing or growing since the beginning of the book or since he was separated from Roger?

Thinking of others rather than himself

Determination to help the merchant

Taking responsibility for himself