

“Knight’s Tale” Pt. 2 Study Questions

What happens to Arcite's appearance as the months go by?

What deity comes to Arcite in a dream?

How does Arcite arrange to travel back to Athens without being arrested?

What sort of work does Arcite do for Emilye? Why is he particularly suited for such jobs?

How many years does Palamon pine away in prison?

How does Palamon escape from prison?

Where does Arcite ride out to? (i.e., what sort of terrain?) Who, by chance, is hidden in the brush nearby, eavesdropping?

What does Arcite do at the end of his lamentation? What does Palamon do after that?

Why do Arcite and Palamon postpone their fight until the next day?

The two knights are compared to what two animals as they fight in 1656? To what animals are they compared in line 1699?

What is Theseus doing that brings him out to the same area where Arcite and Palamon are fighting?

How does Theseus break up the fight? By what god does he swear as he does this action?

What does Palamon ask Theseus to do to both him and Arcite?

What solution does Theseus offer since Emily cannot marry both of them?

How many knights should each suitor bring with him? How long do they have to prepare for the tournament?

Where does Theseus build the tournament lists for the contest?