A host of clues makes up this quiz
(Deep myst'ry here for you to ponder);
Each one defines a word, that's sure,
And all together form a wonder.
A pattern clear, arranged in order,
The key, once found, is simon-pure;
Letters three will be a whiz,
But letters two will cut asunder.

Chinese pagoda
Archery protector
Touch prefix
Small child
Scotch toe
To have with E *
Fly part
Unconcerned exclamation *
Japanese porgy
Dervishes coned cap
Take in Scotland
Clap hands to music
Cap with tassel

Gypsy tent
Peasant in Manila
Liquid hole
Put lid on total acceptance #
Lute for seaman?
Several of one of tetrachord
False die
Nineteenth in Athens
Jewish four hundred
Foreign letter
Task or duty
Tie variant
Obsolete thong whip *

All words are taken from Webster's Second Unabridged except * (from the Oxford English Dictionary) and # (from Webster's Third). The solution can be found in Answers and Solutions.