

Action Cryptograms — Set 4

6 puzzles · Large print · answers on the last page

Every letter has been swapped for another letter. The same cipher letter always stands for the same letter, and no letter ever stands for itself. Write your answer in the blank under each letter. Answers are on the last page.

1. Clue: J = O

Expert · 41 letters

Q J Z J L I E O L I V Z

K W J P O J C V Z B K J W

K M I W J K L Y M

D V B M J Z O .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

2. Clue: K = E

Medium · 41 letters

A X K D R X K Z S I K S R

I N Q K , R X K Z L N

R X K I K S V R X K Z V K K

L N D K .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

A B C D E F G H I J K L M

N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z

3. Clue: H = T

Expert · 42 letters

H O G T A H U J

H C G T A O G C Q E Y

I E P G Z , R M H L U H O G

H O T H Z U G Y E H .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

4. Clue: S = A

Hard · 42 letters

Q A O , R A C X , L J O J G

Q S W T S E Z V O J G A S L

E Q S W W J Q C L S

B S K B J L ?

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

5. Clue: T = O

Hard · 42 letters

W Y F S O G O D V G E H X T
H T I E L Z D T D I A
I T H A C D
G T L W T L E D O T H .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

6. Clue: Q = E

Medium · 42 letters

B V Q Y Q C A L L A L C

V Z B , B V Q R A X X S Q

S T F Q P J D R , B V Q Q L X

W Z S X .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

Solver's cheat sheet

Most common letters	E T A O I N S H R D L U
Most common 1-letter words	A I
Most common 2-letter words	OF TO IN IT IS BE AS AT SO WE HE BY OR ON DO IF ME MY UP AN GO NO US AM
Most common 3-letter words	THE AND FOR ARE BUT NOT YOU ALL ANY CAN HER WAS ONE OUR OUT DAY GET HAS HIM HIS HOW MAN NEW NOW OLD SEE TWO WAY WHO BOY DID ITS LET PUT SAY SHE TOO USE
Common double letters	LL EE SS OO TT FF RR NN PP CC
Common word endings	-ING -ION -ENT -TION -LY -ED -ER -EST
After an apostrophe	T (don't) S (it's) RE (we're) VE (I've) LL (we'll) D (I'd)

Answer key

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1. "Do not abstain from sowing for fear of the pigeons."

— French proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

Cipher key: A=K B=G C=W D=P E=B F=V G=Y H=U I=A J=O K=F L=T M=E N=J O=S P=M Q=D R=Z S=C T=X
U=Q V=I W=R X=L Y=H Z=N

2. "When they are at Rome, they do there as they see done."

— Robert Burton, 1621, *The Anatomy of Melancholy, Part III. Sect. 4, Memb. 2, Subsect. 1* (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

Cipher key: A=W B=P C=X D=N E=J F=I G=V H=B I=R J=U K=E L=D M=K N=O O=C P=F Q=M R=T S=A T=Z
U=G V=S W=Q X=H Y=L Z=Y

3. "The act of treachery is liked, but not he that does it."

— Spanish proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

Cipher key: A=C B=J C=R D=V E=I F=X G=E H=T I=L J=F K=Q L=N M=U N=Z O=H P=K Q=Y R=B S=W T=A
U=O V=G W=P X=M Y=S Z=D

4. "Why, then, do you walk as if you had swallowed a ramrod?"

— Epictetus, 108, *Discourses* (recorded by Arrian), Chap. XXI (in Bartlett's *Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

Cipher key: A=H B=R C=E D=G E=S F=X G=U H=C I=Z J=O K=M L=D M=B N=P O=Y P=V Q=W R=T S=A T=K
U=Q V=F W=L X=N Y=J Z=I

5. "Publicity can do no harm to the honest corporation."

— Theodore Roosevelt, 1903, *Third Annual Message to Congress*

Cipher key: A=E B=K C=S D=T E=A F=B G=C H=N I=H J=F K=Z L=R M=J N=W O=I P=G Q=V R=X S=L T=O
U=Q V=Y W=P X=D Y=U Z=M

6. "The beginning hot, the middle lukewarm, the end cold."

— German proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

Cipher key: A=I B=T C=G D=R E=Z F=K G=Y H=P I=S J=A K=J L=N M=V N=X O=Q P=W Q=E R=M S=L T=U
U=F V=H W=C X=D Y=B Z=O