

Action Cryptograms — Set 29

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: K = O

Medium · 68 letters

A I A B I K B K R X F

B K P F K U I J F

T S K V R F P B K U R A U F ,

C K I K C R O

I J F K S F I A Q Y R R O ,

V G I T S Y Q I A Q Y R R 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: A = E

Medium · 69 letters

Q P A T D H O J F Q D C P

N F M J C , Q P W S T W Q G

Q P A C P A L D Y W T W C

N J S A P A L N W L A

G H W L C C P J T G P A

N J S A G N A ?

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: Z = E

Medium · 69 letters

V Z L G N Y Z L K Z U E

T M Y Y T Z

X E M Z H U L R Z B A M Y Q

T Z B B R G S E U X Z Y Q U L

Y Q Z D P G T U E X Z

V M B N G E Y S L Z B .

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: L = A

Hard · 70 letters

D W D K P N L X G L F
E G H F S L J J Y A E G D
T Y U D K E Y M Y
F Y N D U G L E V X H I V D ,
L X M X Y N L X G L F L X P
Y E G D K S L J J .

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: R = E

Medium · 70 letters

B T G A Z P U R A B J B

W R R U O P G Z T Z L R

A D J Q A W J Z A T W J B

B T V A R Z S A B

C L T G R B T D R O T M Z L R

V L J M J V Z R M .

Decoder — write your answer under each cipher letter:

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

Hard · 70 letters

C K B P B O E A M C K O A Y
E M B T E Q D N C C K T C
O C D B U M F B E
I O W W O U N Z C S K B A
Q M N I M O C S O C K
P B Z N U C T A U B .

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

Answer key

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1. "It is to solve some of the problems of life, not only theoretically, but practically."

— Henry David Thoreau, 1854, *Walden*

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

2. "When I play with my cat, who knows whether I do not make her more sport than she makes me?"

— Michel de Montaigne, 1580, *Essays, Book II, Chap. XII. Apology for Raimond Sebond* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

3. "Men often bear little grievances with less courage than they do large misfortunes."

— Aesop, 1867, *Aesop's Fables* (George Fyler Townsend translation, 1867)

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

4. "Every man has this call of the power to do somewhat unique, and no man has any other call."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1841, *Essays: First Series*

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

5. "Solitude is as needful to the imagination as society is wholesome for the character."

— James Russell Lowell, 1870, *Among My Books, First Series. Dryden* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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

6. "There is nothing so easy but that it becomes difficult when you do it with reluctance."

— Terence, 163 BC, *Heautontimoroumenos* (*Heauton Timorumenos*), Act IV. Sc. 6, 1. (805) (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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