

Aesop Cryptograms — Set 5

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: H = I

Expert · 50 letters

N V F R S H I J F M

Z T J J N A D H A C

H B G Y J H A O E I

M T Z S H R H Z I F R N S

J I D N J I M .

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: R = T

Medium · 51 letters

Q D A W Y H R R H N D
R F S W R D T X W X
E F A D Y T J Q H
P A W R F D X R W Q A W H J Y
E X P A M I .

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: W = E

Expert · 52 letters

U W T Z S E W M M W X

E W Z X F Y X M X F Y E K W A

E X Z D W K L M T Z H M X L

M F W A O Z N W M T W 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: G = N

Expert · 52 letters

L G E F Z L A L G S Z G D
D F L K, Y E Q D O R H W J D
W E M D G G Z W W Z X E K K
L G W Z E G Z W U D Q.

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: P = E

Expert · 52 letters

K E F A Q X O J S P F

F Y X E S L E S L A X Q K

Q J X F P C H P F B X P O M P

M B X T P F O O Q Z P B 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

6. Clue: R = E

Hard · 53 letters

K G R C J D R P A K X H T R
X G A Q H W R K A
K G R U T R B W R T K G R
Z D R Y H K Y N R K A
A K G R D T .

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. "Old friends cannot with impunity be sacrificed for new ones."

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

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

2. "He is not to be trusted as a friend who mistreats his own family."

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

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

3. "We had better bear our troubles bravely than try to escape them."

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

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

4. "In avoiding one evil, care must be taken not to fall into another."

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

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

5. "Misfortunes springing from ourselves are the hardest to bear."

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

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

6. "They are not wise who give to themselves the credit due to others."

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

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