

Aesop Cryptograms — Set 6

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: N = E

Hard · 55 letters

M H O N Q D A Y C Q S N

B J M N D F H P N M L N

Q A P Q D M Q F N M B M L N

Z N Q V B P N K M L N

X M K B D F .

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 · 56 letters

U O K W F P K B M F X E W N P

A Z X U M K F X K

O F U K P M T U N U O N W K

D Z U O K A Z T

Z H U K H U Z N H W .

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: E = T

Medium · 56 letters

P V V P X D F P Z X F
T Y G X P Q G T I V M
R P V N P V E N J X E J X Y
E V E Y M A E V Y
Q G A E Y M A E J G 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: H = I

Easy · 58 letters

H D K C R I K J Z M B H S

F H K Y R K H D H R Z D R

D J U M J F B J Z D J O M R P

J P G H M Z F H Z

F H K D G M K 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

5. Clue: S = E

Expert · 61 letters

M Y Y M S P Q L E D

T Y Q R S P K X M G L Q X S K

X M P V S Z Q S K S M A S

Y T V X O U V Y A H L K S B

P V S X M G L Q D .

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: N = E

Hard · 62 letters

V N A G X C A F U N

Q O B N L K X B L

H O M X H N O B C W B Q V N

V M G Z K E F T N C E N B O

E N Z H B L

F K T N O X B C W .

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. "Time and place often give the advantage to the weak over the strong."

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

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

2. "The safeguards of virtue are hateful to those with evil intentions."

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

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

3. "No one can be a friend if you know not whether to trust or distrust him."

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

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

4. "It shows an evil disposition to take advantage of a friend in distress."

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

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

5. "No one truly forgets injuries in the presence of him who caused the injury."

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

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

6. "We must make friends in prosperity if we would have their help in adversity."

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

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