

Alexander Pope Cryptograms — Set 4

6 puzzles · Standard 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: I = E

Hard · 63 letters

U F Y G D I ' J K O J N U E I O F

W G K I M J I Y A P I J O G Y ,

M I O J U F N C I E O M W , V Z N

R O J J G U F G J N C I T O Y 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

2. Clue: L = T

Medium · 63 letters

L I H A H G F H D , Q J Z U A J Z U

M J L I L I H E N A U G D I P X L ,

J X J Z L I H O P Q Q P Z Q G X X

P W Q G L L H D A P X 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

3. Clue: D = E

Medium · 64 letters

X V Y D D E R N Q X V D ,

W E L R E M L B R W M R U

Q D L X T M , J G X J K Y R Z D M

J G D G D Y R F R Y E B E

F D J J D Y Q X T 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

4. Clue: A = E

Medium · 64 letters

J A S H M E H C O O C Q E O K A

G F C Q H A M J O K A Q F Z F A C O

H Q F A H , C E L T M H O O K A Q F

H Q F A H L Q H Z F C 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

5. Clue: X = E

Expert · 64 letters

Y D , V F X T W O Z W D W X I C X J

O D Y T X B L K F Y B P X P J E H

K E L I E R X W Y - I Y J J Y O

K D X X J G B F E T W Y - P 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

6. Clue: Q = E

Hard · 64 letters

O F U G X B X P J D S O F Y F B X P

Q O Q U N E J D E X P G H Q , -

W Q V F D G R Q Q K G U Q E Q ,

H X G J Z Z F D G R Q S Q A U Q 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

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

Answer key

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1. "On life's vast ocean diversely we sail, Reason the card, but passion is the gale."

— Alexander Pope, 1734, *An Essay on Man, Epistle II. Line 107* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

2. "The leader, mingling with the vulgar host, Is in the common mass of matter lost."

— Alexander Pope, 1726, *The Odyssey of Homer (Pope's translation), Book IV. Line 397* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

3. "A green old age, unconscious of decays, That proves the hero born in better days."

— Alexander Pope, 1720, *The Iliad of Homer (Pope's translation), Book XXIII. Line 929* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

4. "Few sons attain the praise of their great sires, and most their sires disgrace."

— Alexander Pope, 1726, *The Odyssey of Homer (Pope's translation), Book II. Line 315* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

5. "Oh, blest with temper whose unclouded ray can make to-morrow cheerful as to-day!"

— Alexander Pope, 1735, *Moral Essays, Epistle II. Line 257* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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

6. "Virtuous and vicious every man must be, - Few in the extreme, but all in the degree."

— Alexander Pope, 1734, *An Essay on Man, Epistle II. Line 231* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations*, 9th ed., 1891)

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