

Confucius Cryptograms — Set 5

5 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: G = N

Easy · 81 letters

Q Z R I P E H I B N V F S P

G B R O F V X P, I P J Q N N

G B R H V N N Z B F R I

V G T X P G P F V R Q B G,

V G C I Q E N P V F G Q G O

J Q N N G B R S P E B N Q C.

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: C = T

Easy · 88 letters

A C G M Z E A G V P Z X J

E M A S H L G J , C B M C A

E C N A K J C H X J T H G J

E D T B U A C B H D C

E M C A J C Z , M I S

C J M T B H C B J N E

U A C B H D C

U J M N A I J E E .

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: J = E

Medium · 90 letters

W G P U P S E J J A O

H K J Q W O K W S R K W O

L B F E S L I B J F R J, O L

P O H L S D W S N P B B X D L

V J P H T N W Q W S R S J I,

K J U P X V J P

D J P H K J Q L G

L D K J Q 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

4. Clue: K = N

Medium · 91 letters

P U J Y R K O S A P U J

I N Q J Z R S Z Y B K R I

T S K H J Z I B K P E R P U

Z R F U P J S N I K J I I ;

P U J Y R K O S A P U J

Y J B K Y B K R I

T S K H J Z I B K P E R P U

F B R 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 = O

Easy · 92 letters

D K R O S G D Z , X O S K M

H B U V B K K M L S U

L Z P L O , D U V X O S B K

D K O D H M V S Q T D V

R G S L O M K D U V T D V

Q S S V , B K U S L Q B L

L S T M V B K R S P Z K M V

X B L 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

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. "If the scholar be not grave, he will not call forth any veneration, and his learning will not be solid."

— Confucius, 1861, *The Analects* (James Legge translation, 1861)

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

2. "It may simply be said of me, that I strive to become such without satiety, and teach others without weariness."

— Confucius, 1861, *The Analects* (James Legge translation, 1861)

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

3. "If a man keeps cherishing his old knowledge, so as continually to be acquiring new, he may be a teacher of others."

— Confucius, 1861, *The Analects* (James Legge translation, 1861)

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

4. "The mind of the superior man is conversant with righteousness; the mind of the mean man is conversant with gain."

— Confucius, 1861, *The Analects* (James Legge translation, 1861)

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

5. "A scholar, whose mind is set on truth, and who is ashamed of bad clothes and bad food, is not fit to be discoursed with."

— Confucius, 1861, *The Analects* (James Legge translation, 1861)

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