

Dutch proverb Cryptograms — Set 4

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: L = E

Expert · 42 letters

D L L M L I P L O K B R T L F

I M K W S D I M C X L N

X I U L I S N

H L I C X L P 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: I = E

Hard · 42 letters

M I U M J K H P I Z

M Y K Z I A B M J O I T

U Y A A N I I H C I O N T

C M I N I I Z .

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: R = E

Medium · 42 letters

L R C C R W B M R

R G R - X Q C M R K K C F V M

C R M F R V W K V G

X Q C M R K K 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

4. Clue: H = T

Hard · 43 letters

D H D U F C Q V U V I H H G

J L H H S G I P U G N

V I G H S Q A K V I ' U

C Q V H S Q 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: F = T

Hard · 43 letters

L S N U F S N X J Z K N

S R K S R A G F K P G W W ,

F S N X N R W F Z V U K

C G F F N V .

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: F = N

Hard · 43 letters

P N X A K A Z N F L U C N

H I F W Y F L C D I F I

M I Y X N E

H I F W Y F L - U D N A U .

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. "Geese are plucked as long as they have any feathers."

— Dutch proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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

2. "He who makes himself honey will be eaten by the bees."

— Dutch proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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

3. "Better one eye-witness than ten hearsay witnesses."

— Dutch proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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

4. "It is pleasant to cut thongs of another man's leather."

— Dutch proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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

5. "When the mouse has had its fill, the meal turns bitter."

— Dutch proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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

6. "More belongs to dancing than a pair of dancing-shoes."

— Dutch proverb, 1857, Recorded with English translation in Henry G. Bohn, *A Polyglot of Foreign Proverbs* (London, 1857)

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