

Easy Cryptograms — Set 40

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: Y = O

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C I U Y W Y L S W Y C P W

I U T G O I F Y Y L T W L V I

C Y Y U X , C I H P W W Y L L I O O

Y R F H Y R F X I G K L V I

X L P F X , W Y F L V I V Y R F Y B

L V I U P K G K L V I X R 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

2. Clue: B = T

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B E V C V U C V I V A X S B E V

A Y C N R A E Y U B B U X S B Y

B E V B V U J E X S P A X B E Y K B

A Y C R H , U S R B E V

U R T U S B U P V U C X H X S P

I C Y L S Y S - U J B X Y S .

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: X = E

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K U B X K I J K W V E B K N X

K F I T M W Q J G Q I E X

X L H X F I X O I M E X

H X B R M B J X O S T I D M G I

S T I W X Q Q , R M B M W X I D K I

F M J X Q I M Q M J X W M I T F 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

4. Clue: Z = E

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Z E Z O W G P X R O S N Z P R ,

R K K Q , E Z X X Z Q , G I G R

V K Z X R A T R I K O F A G D A

G R A T X C Z Z P N T V Z , G X

F Z Q Q , T P V W Z R A Z F A K

N T V Z G R G X P K R R A Z O 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

5. Clue: G = A

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L E O M L O L G S Q , L O

M G B D Y G S S Z U H B H B E O

V K O S W J G M W L H H W J :

L E G B L H D S W X O T H P O H V

D J , K V L O L G S Q O W H M S Z

K M G U G Y W O M H Y G P G S S ?

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: E = O

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S M A L I L J Q E E V

D E Y U M N Y N Y X A W D O I N R L

B M U U L J A E H M N J R T

Q E W Y Z ? E , U O M U Z L D L N U

A O E W R Z Z S L R R N Y A W D O

M X E J X L E W A C M R M D 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

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. "We do not know an edible root in the woods, we cannot tell our course by the stars, nor the hour of the day by the sun."

— Ralph Waldo Emerson, 1844, *Essays: Second Series*

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

2. "There are few in the world who attain to the teaching without words, and the advantage arising from non-action."

— Laozi, 1891, *Tao Te Ching* (James Legge translation, 1891)

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

3. "A great many brave actions must be expected to be performed without witness, for one that comes to some notice."

— Robert Louis Stevenson, 1881, *Virginibus Puerisque and Other Papers*

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

4. "Every instrument, tool, vessel, if it does that for which it has been made, is well, and yet he who made it is not there."

— Marcus Aurelius, 1862, *Meditations* (George Long translation, 1862)

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

5. "When we walk, we naturally go to the fields and woods: what would become of us, if we walked only in a garden or a mall?"

— Henry David Thoreau, 1862, *Walking*

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

6. "Was ever book containing such vile matter so fairly bound? O, that deceit should dwell in such a gorgeous palace!"

— William Shakespeare, 1595, *Romeo and Juliet, Act III. Sc. 2* (in *Bartlett's Familiar Quotations, 9th ed., 1891*)

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